

Holway Park Primary School



Post Ofsted Letter

We are celebrating the recognition from Ofsted of the inclusivity of our school. Pupils and staff here understand the importance of building positive relationships with each other and this underpins the good attitudes towards learning that the children demonstrate.

As Headteacher and Chair of Governors we are both very proud of the achievements of the children and staff and the recognition from Ofsted.

The report recognises the very good standards of the children's writing and that staff have continuously strived to improve the quality of teaching and learning. However there are many areas that the Headteacher, SENCO, Governors and Local Authority were told in the end of inspection feedback that didn't make it into the report; we feel that these points are very important so we are going to share them with you.

So in addition to the points made in the report the following positive comments were made:

- Senior Leadership is a strength of the school; they have a clear sense of what the school is about and have improved children's access to broad outcomes. The Senior leaders spoken with talked with passion about the school. They, supported by highly effective Middle Leaders have had a good impact on Reading, Writing and Mathematics since the last inspection.
- The impact over time from teachers in Reading is a strength as is the way the school promotes a love of Reading.
- Clear planning and progress in Mathematics, the children were very positive about Mathematics when they spoke to the inspectors.
- There is very strong staff knowledge of internet safety and evidence of strong retention of knowledge by the pupils.
- Children spoke lots about their memorable experiences during residential particularly children who had been on the Year 2 camp.
- PE and SEN are also strengths of the school.
- There is no discernible difference between pupils who qualify for Pupil Premium and other pupils in the school.
- The use and deployment of support staff is also a strength.
- The rate of progress of pupils make here is typically better than in lots of schools.
- Our Personal Development and wider curriculum are real strengths of the school.
- The opportunity pupils have for being involved in the democracy of the school was particularly highlighted by the School's Eco Warriors.
- Behaviour and Attitudes a strength.
- SEND provision is a strength.
- Pupils' knowledge and understanding of the differences that pupils with disabilities have was also noted and acknowledged as a strength.

We would like to thank all the parents and carers who support the school and shared their positive experiences with the inspector directly during the inspection.

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Chair of Governors