

Dear Parents,

As many of you will be aware, we were inspected by Ofsted under the “Common inspection framework: education, skills and early years”. (Sept 2015)

on July 19<sup>th</sup> 2019, the (wet) Friday before the end of term! We were judged to be “Good” after a very thorough inspection which lasted 8 hours.

The full (somewhat short) report is attached and I started to pull out some highlights but I have decided there are so many it is probably easier to read the report.

Obviously in our previous report we were judged as “Outstanding”, and this was something I discussed at length with the inspector. In this previous inspection we were inspected in the framework, prior to Sept 2015 and the judgements were different. In the 2015 inspection framework there is a greater emphasis on teaching. The inspector has given us 2 areas to improve on: -

- support staff to develop a wider range of teaching strategies to enable them to extend further the existing skills of the *most able* children
- provide children with more learning experiences that extend their mathematical development still further.

On the day of the inspection we didn't clearly demonstrate to the inspector that we do already do this, however they are both areas we could work to improve on.

This September 2019 Ofsted have introduced a new Early Years Inspection Framework, with new criteria, which we could be inspected on any time from the beginning of term, until Sept 2023, so we will be looking at this in detail, attending training and working towards this new framework!

I would like to thank all the parents that emailed myself, or who spoke to the inspector, explaining and describing how wonderful you thought our setting is. The messages were overwhelming in support and both myself and my team were thrilled to have such wonderful feedback.

If any one would like to talk to me in more detail about our report, or our provision, feel free to come in and see me.

Best wishes

**Ruth Vaughan**

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