



Thursday 25th April 2024

Dear parents/carers,

Re: Ofsted Inspection Report

It is with great pleasure that we can now share with you the Ofsted report from our recent inspection which took place on 19th and 20th March 2024. This was our first inspection under Ofsted's revised framework.

'The Valley Primary School is welcoming and inclusive. All pupils are highly valued and well cared for.' (Ofsted 2024).

Two of His Majesty's Inspectors (HMI) carried out their inspection over the two days, which included: detailed analysis (deep dives) into various subjects; lesson observations; discussions with staff and pupils; meetings with leaders; scrutiny of work completed by children; and review of documentation provided by the school. They met with our Executive Principal, School Leader, subject leaders, team members, members of the Trust board, members of our Trust family and of course spoke with parents/carers.

The overall grade was decided on the following four areas:

Quality of Education – **Good**

'The curriculum is planned to support learning for pupils within mixed-age classes. This is further enhanced with broader experiences and opportunities for all pupils.'

Leadership and Management – **Good**

'Leaders have clear strategies in place to support pupils and their families when support is needed to address attendance.' *'The school is ambitious for all pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).'*

Behaviour and Attitudes – **Outstanding**

'Behaviour across school is exemplary. Pupils are courteous and show exceptional manners.'

Personal Development – **Outstanding**

'Pupils' personal development is exemplary. They are given a range of responsibilities, including being members of the eco council and playground monitors.'

Overall Effectiveness – Good

The inspectors concluded that The Valley Primary School is **GOOD** with **OUTSTANDING** features.



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We are exceptionally proud of all pupils and staff for their efforts during, and leading up to, this inspection.

The full report is attached to this letter and available to view on our website: www.tmpf.staffs.sch.uk/the-valley/ or [The Valley | Ofsted 2024 \(tmpf.staffs.sch.uk\)](http://The Valley | Ofsted 2024 (tmpf.staffs.sch.uk)) .

We are delighted that the report contains so many positive comments and that two areas are judged to be '**Outstanding**'! During the visit, Ofsted acknowledged the areas for improvement which we, as leaders, had already identified and had begun to address and action. This demonstrates the effective leadership of the school and Trust family. We will continue to implement and review strategies to further develop our beautiful school and we thank you for your ongoing support, which was also recognised in the report, '*Parents are highly supportive of the school*'.

The 'good' grade is testament to the hard work and general 'wonderfulness' of the children, staff and your support as parents/carers and our wider community. We know our children are wonderful, you know our children are wonderful, but it is always nice to hear it from visitors and makes us feel so proud. All our staff thank you for your amazing, continued support and well-wishes during the inspection, we simply could not have achieved such a pleasing report without you.

Kind regards,

The Valley Team



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