

Bishop Rawle C. E. Primary School

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Dear parents/carers,

We hope that you are well and had an enjoyable half-term.

As you will be aware, the school received a routine inspection from Ofsted on 28th and 29th April 2026. The final report has now been published, and we are delighted to be able to share it with you.

From November 2025, schools are now inspected under the new Ofsted framework. Schools no longer receive single-word judgements and are now inspected in eight areas against a five-point scale. There is a new report card system in place. Ofsted are very keen to share that the judgements do not correlate to the outcomes of the previous inspections and should not be compared. Schools are inspected in the following areas: Achievement; Attendance and Behaviour; Curriculum and Teaching; Inclusion; Early Years; Personal Development and Wellbeing; and Leadership and Governance. Within the area of safeguarding, schools are judged as having either **met** or **not met** the expected standard.

In each of these areas (other than safeguarding), schools are presented with one of the following judgements:

1. **Exceptional:** Practice is among the very best nationally.
2. **Strong Standard:** Excellent, consistent work making a real difference.
3. **Expected Standard:** The school is doing everything it should be to meet high expectations. It is a high standard, to make sure that the children are receiving everything that they need and deserve.
4. **Needs Attention:** Areas where work is underway, but impact isn't yet visible.
5. **Urgent Improvement:** Significant changes are needed.

We are delighted to receive the 'expected standard' in five out of the seven areas and the 'strong standard' in two out of the seven areas.

Safeguarding	– Met
Personal Development and Wellbeing	– Strong Standard
Early Years	– Strong Standard
Achievement	– Expected Standard
Attendance and Behaviour	– Expected Standard
Curriculum and Teaching	– Expected Standard
Inclusion	– Expected Standard
Leadership and Governance	– Expected Standard

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Our vision for Bishop Rawle CE Primary, is that all children will flourish and the whole child will be developed through our school motto of 'Going for Gold with God'. It has been wonderful that inspectors have recognised this. Proudly, we wish to share a few quotations from the report which we think reflects what a special place our school is:

'Pupils leave the school as compassionate, informed and articulate individuals. They are extremely well-prepared for life in modern Britain and beyond.'

'Pupils experience a rich range of opportunities to help them grow as thoughtful, articulate and responsible citizens.'

'Children get off to a flying start in the early years. The curriculum is thoughtfully designed to build children's knowledge progressively, with a clear emphasis on communication, language and early reading.'

Our amazing children are celebrated heavily in our report, and it highlights the wider values that they demonstrate and the pride that they show in our school:

'Pupils are proud to be part of this welcoming and inclusive school community.'

'Across the school, there is a strong sense of belonging. Pupils speak positively about their school and describe it as a place where everyone is welcomed and encouraged to do their best.'

'Pupils enjoy learning and show positive attitudes in lessons. They engage enthusiastically with the curriculum and take pride in their work.'

'Behaviour across the school is calm and purposeful. Pupils understand the school's expectations and follow routines well in lessons and social times.'

'The school's vision 'Going for Gold with God', is lived out daily by pupils.'

'Pupils readily demonstrate the school's values of trust, mindful, peace and friendship in their learning and interactions with one another.'

Lots of strengths in the curriculum and teaching and learning were identified:

'They build secure knowledge in reading, writing and mathematics and are increasingly confident in applying these skills across the curriculum.'

'The curriculum is broad and ambitious, with clear intentions for the knowledge and skills pupils should develop over time.'

The positive relationships between staff and children have also been highlighted:

'They are greeted warmly each morning by staff who know them well and genuinely care about their wellbeing.'

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As part of the new report, each school will also receive 'next steps'. As a team, we already reflect these in our school development plan as we are already focusing on these areas within our lovely school.

If you would like to take the time to read the report card in full, you will find many celebrations of our school community. This letter is just a summary of some of the findings. The full report is accessible through the school website at www.tmpf.staffs.sch.uk/bishop-rawle/our-school/ofsted It will also be uploaded to the Ofsted website within the next few weeks.

We are incredibly proud of our children and the whole school community and, whilst this inspection offers a snapshot of our wonderful school, we are thrilled that the ethos and strengths of the school and the brilliance of the children shine through so strongly.

Thank you to you, our wonderful parents, carers, Trustees, friends and wider family members for your ongoing support of your school and the important part that you play within the Bishop Rawle CE Primary School family on a daily basis.

Kind regards,

The Bishop Rawle Team

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