

## Governors Newsletter

### Ofsted Results



Dear Parents

It's GOOD.....!

As you will see from the enclosed Ofsted report from the inspection on 17<sup>th</sup> January the findings have been announced. We are delighted that after 5 years since our last inspection they have recognised that the school has maintained its category and continues to be rated GOOD. This demonstrates that although the inspector noted the bar for inspection has never been so high as it is now, our progress has meant that our commitment to ensuring all pupils achieve their best has been maintained.

Just to highlight some points from the report, the inspector especially identified that :-

- Pupils' told the inspector 'the school is for everyone' which demonstrated the school's inclusive ethos
- Strengths have been built on demonstrated by the quality of pupils' writing which is strong across the school
- Teaching is consistently good in all classes
- Pupils' told the inspector 'this is a school where a mistake is just an opportunity for learning' demonstrating that an emphasis is placed on developing positive attitudes to learning
- Safeguarding is effective and pupils' safety is a key priority in the school
- Pupils' feel that the school is a safe place and that there is someone to talk with if they have any worries
- Previous inspection issues have been addressed with a broad and varied curriculum being provided which pupils enjoy
- Pupils benefit from a range of interesting and creative opportunities for learning in lessons and beyond
- Staff work well as a team and ensures that good quality teaching is the norm across the school
- Pupils' work and school assessment shows that those with special educational needs/disabilities make good progress especially in reading where results show that a number of pupils make accelerated progress
- The school is well supported by the Governors who take a keen interest and get involved but are prepared to challenge

Everyone who works for Hemblington is rightly proud to be a part of our school, and the children's comments included in the report demonstrate their own pride and enthusiasm.

Going forward our School Improvement Plan had already identified the next steps as stated in the Ofsted report and the Governors and school will ensure our continued development and further improvement. This includes plans to continue to improve the learning needs and opportunities for the pupils by

- Continuing to develop the skills and opportunities for staff to enable them to provide the best learning for the children
- Implementing and strengthen the school's ability to identify where pupils make good progress
- Providing reasoning and problem solving opportunities in mathematics for pupils

Following the parent comments from the Ofsted survey the governors are pleased to see that they all said that their children are happy, taught well and feel safe in school. However there are a couple of areas to look at and we will look at discussing these at our next meeting.

As governors we are extremely pleased with Ofsted's findings and wish to reiterate our previous message of thanks and are very grateful for the work that Christine Edmunds and her staff have been doing, not only on the day, but also on a daily basis leading up to this for the last 18 months. We would also add our thanks to the pupils and to you for your continued support.

If you have any comments or anything you would like to say please feel free to contact me or any of the Governors.

Thanks

Paul

***Be the best you can***