

# Moulton Primary School Governors' Update – September 2016

Dear Parents,

As you are hopefully aware we received a long awaited visit from Ofsted in July, just before the end of the school year. Their official report has now been published and you should have received a copy via Parentmail; alternatively, it can be viewed on either the official Ofsted site ([www.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk)) or on the school website ([www.moultonprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.moultonprimaryschool.co.uk)). You can also request a paper copy from the school office.

The last full Ofsted inspection took place in January 2014 and the school was assessed as *requiring improvement* in all areas. Following this, the school has worked hard to address the issues raised in the report and have built upon the many existing areas of strength. I am extremely pleased that the recent inspection recognised the progress that has been made and the school has now been assessed as **GOOD in all areas**. This is a tremendous result for everyone involved with the school and fully reflects the improvements that have been implemented over the past couple of years.

I would encourage you to read the full report as it gives a good overview of the school as it currently is. Some of the key strengths highlighted by the inspectors include:-

- Leadership of the school is ambitious; led by Mrs Bastin and ably supported by Miss Wall, the governors and the rest of the leadership team, this supports all the activities of the school.
- Teaching and learning is good and reflects the hard work put in by the teachers; the contribution of the Teaching Assistants is also recognised.
- The provision in Early Years allows children to make good progress across the Early Learning Goals.
- Pupils are polite, courteous and well-behaved, with older pupils taking on responsibility and supporting adults in rewarding good behaviour.
- Arrangements for safeguarding are effective, meaning children are safe and well cared for during their time at school.

The fact that the Ofsted report positively recognises the contributions of all parties (leadership, teachers, teaching assistants, parents and children) is an extremely good sign. For the school to maintain the progress it is making, it is vital that everyone continues to play their part.

The report also highlights what the school needs to do to improve further. The items mentioned are not major and the school is confident that they will be easily addressed. The structures that have been put in place, particularly the middle leadership team that is relatively new, will continue to develop and have a greater contribution over time.

Finally, I would like to say a massive thank you to all the staff at the school. Spending almost the entire school year waiting for the Ofsted visit was not easy and the response of all the staff was exemplary; they have been extremely professional and are a credit to the school.

If you would like to discuss the outcome of our OFSTED report further, please do get in touch.

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