



# Ashley Junior School

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Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

## **Ofsted Inspection Letter**

As you are aware we were inspected on the 22nd May by Ofsted under what is called a Section 8 Inspection. This type of inspection is for schools that are already classed as 'Good' and where there are no specific circumstances related to the inspection. Though only one day, the inspection is rigorous and monitors all aspects of the school. The Inspector visited and observed in every classroom, looked at children's books, scrutinised the data, record keeping and management systems and spent time talking to governors, staff, parents and pupils. It was a thorough and robust inspection.

The Inspector's report from a Section 8 inspection takes the form of a letter to me. In this letter the Inspector highlights the wide range of monitoring activities undertaken and what the outcomes and judgements were. A copy is attached for you.

We are very proud and pleased with the Inspector's findings. We are confident in the work that we do, but it is always good to have external bodies affirm the quality of your work.

We are especially pleased that the Inspector identified:

- The hard work of all staff to make learning fun and engaging and their focus on the development of the whole child.
- That the quality of teaching continues to improve.
- The positive relationships between staff and pupils and the considerable efforts staff put in to ensuring that children feel safe and are able to express themselves.
- The excellent learning attitudes of the children and the calm, purposeful environment that staff have worked so hard to create.
- The work that governors do to ensure quality provision.
- The sustained and passionate leadership.
- That the Leadership Team and staff are aware of and proactively working on, those areas that need developing.
- The positive culture for safeguarding for all pupils.
- That the school is a happy, vibrant place to learn.

Whilst we are thrilled with such a positive outcome, none of us are complacent. I assure you we will continue to work tirelessly to maintain our high standards and look to improve further. We look forward to working with you in partnership in order to do so.

Yours faithfully,

**IAN RIX**  
**Headteacher**