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Re: OFSTED Inspection Report - Binstead Continues to be a Good school

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with great pride and pleasure that I am able to share with you all the OFSTED report from our Inspection on the 26th and 27th March 2024 where we 'Continue to be a Good School'. The inspection itself was a thorough and intense couple of days with no stone left unturned by our inspector. We all certainly felt as a staff team that the inspector took every opportunity possible to truly get to know our school and find out exactly what it is like to be a pupil at Binstead Primary School.

Whilst I am sure you will all enjoy taking the time to read through the report at your leisure, I would like to highlight some of the best parts (although it is tricky to choose which bits, as the whole report is a wonderful reflection of Team Binstead!).

- ❖ At this school, pupils become resilient, determined, collaborative and curious learners as members of 'Team Binstead'.
- ❖ Staff are ambitious in the curriculum they provide for pupils. Pupils work hard in lessons and try their best in all subjects to learn as well as they can.
- ❖ The school has an ambitious curriculum that enables pupils to learn in all subjects effectively. Pupils learn key knowledge, skills and vocabulary in a clear order. Disadvantaged pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), achieve well over time.
- ❖ The school teaches early reading effectively. Staff deliver phonics sessions with precision. This means pupils, including those who find learning to read harder, become able and confident readers.
- ❖ The broad curriculum helps pupils understand a range of different topics. Staff have strong subject knowledge in many of the subjects that they teach or oversee. This typically helps pupils to remember it.
- ❖ Dedicated and caring staff give pupils who need highly individualised support the help they need. Staff have a strong understanding of these pupils' academic and pastoral needs.
- ❖ Behaviour is good. Pupils have a positive attitude to their learning. They take pride in the quality of their work. Pupils show respect for one another.



- ❖ The school is particularly proud of its commitment to sports and, more recently, the performing arts.
- ❖ Governors' work to support and challenge the school is highly effective. Staff are happy and proud to be part of the school

As an area for improvement, the inspector supported us on our journey, having already correctly identified that the next step for the team is to develop the precision of the assessment of the wider curriculum further.

As I am sure you will agree, Team Binstead showed what a great school we are. The children were incredible in their conversations with the inspector, eloquent and honest either in meetings with him, reading their reading books or around the school at different times.

Thank you all too for your engagement with the Parent Questionnaire. A fantastic 83 parents completed it and shared their views to be taken into account as a part of Team Binstead. Thank you.

Please enjoy reading the report in full, it really is a lovely reflection of our school.

I am, as always, incredibly proud to be the Headteacher of Team Binstead (you will all know me well enough to know that I have shed many happy and proud tears since reading the report!).

With very best wishes,

R Chessell

Mrs Rebecca Chessell

Incredibly proud Headteacher