

Singlewell School

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Dear Parents/Carers

It is with enormous pleasure that I write to share the fantastic news that our school has once again been rated 'Good' by Ofsted in all areas and I am delighted to share with you the inspection report (to follow).

This follows a two day full Ofsted inspection, which as you know took place on the 24th and 25th January 2023.

I am delighted that Ofsted has recognised all the excellent work going on here at Singlewell and that the 'pupils are happy at this vibrant and attractive school' and 'that there is a strong family feel across the whole school community'.

The inspectors noted that 'strong leadership means that pupils' needs are well understood by all and appropriate adaptations can be made to learning'.

We could not have achieved this without your support and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you, your enthusiastic children, our dedicated staff, senior leadership team and governors for their hard work and commitment, which has helped to make Singlewell Primary School such an amazing place to learn, work and succeed.

The report highlights many key strengths of our school. Some areas that make us very proud include:

- Everyone is welcomed, included and looked after.
- Teachers' expectations of pupils' work and behaviour are high.
- In lessons and around school pupils behave well. Classrooms are calm, wellordered places.
- Pupils listen carefully to their teachers in lessons and want to do well.
- Relationships across the school are warm and friendly. Everyone gets along.

- Leaders and staff are ambitious for pupils. They have made many positive changes to all areas of the school's curriculum.
- Leaders ensure that reading is at the heart of the curriculum. Children in early years get off to an impressive start with their reading.
- Plenty of story sharing and regular visits to the school library help pupils develop a love of books.
- Leaders show tenacity in their work to support pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). Leaders are determined that these pupils are fully included in all aspects of school life.
- Pupils' personal development is supported through assemblies and the school's 'taught' curriculum. Pupils learn about different cultures and religions.
- The designated safeguarding leads work effectively together to ensure that pupils and families receive the support they need.
- Staff work well together and are appreciative of the support they receive from leaders.

Inspectors have commented that 'over the last seven years, senior leaders and governors have capably steered the school through the challenges of an increasing pupil roll, extensive building work, staff changes and the COVID-19 pandemic. Governors undertake their duties with diligence and dedication'.

I am extremely proud of everything that we have been able to achieve here at Singlewell and I look forward to the school continuing to provide a safe and happy place for the children to demonstrate our **CARES** values that encourage pupils to be curious, ambitious, resilient, equal and safe.

Please congratulate your wonderful children.

With kind regards

Michelle Brown Headteacher