

12th June 2018

Dear Parents and Friends of Castle Hill Primary School

It has been quite a 'fruity' month. We have been monitored for the quality of provision we give to support our newly qualified teachers - we received the highest grading - exceeding County expectations.

The children have undertaken key stage 1 and key stage 2 SATs in Year 2 and Year 6. We await the final results which will be released later this term.

We have been selected (volunteered!) for key stage 1 and 2 moderation visits, where teachers assessment decisions are quality assured. The Year 6 team was graded at the highest grade (a) meaning their judgments were spot on. The Year 2 team will be completed on Thursday 14th June, so watch this space.

To top that all off, we received the Ofsted call on May 21st which led to a **Section 5 full two day inspection** on May 22nd and 23rd. We are delighted to inform you that the school has received an extremely positive report, which we attach for your information. On the front page apart from the welcome reaffirmation that we are at least good in all areas inspected, the following statements gave us particular pleasure.

"Personal development and behaviour are outstanding. Pupils are consistently polite and well-mannered and show great care and empathy for each other. Pupils enjoy their time at school and see themselves as a close and supportive community."

"Parents are overwhelmingly positive in their view of the school and its leadership."

"The local governing body is ambitious for the school and rightly proud of its achievements."

"The headteacher and deputy headteacher provide strong and effective leadership. They are unwavering in their desire to provide the very best experience possible for every pupil and every member of staff at Castle Hill Primary. Throughout the recent growth of the school they have remained positive, ambitious and hard working."

What do we need to improve further?

1. "Develop the capacity of middle leaders..."
2. "Improve the planning of creative and foundation subjects..."

These were the only two actions which are detailed of page 2 of the full report.



And finally.. A quote that moved us all... One pupil told inspectors

"There is a bond between everyone. They were keen to explain the meaning of the word 'TEAM' that is embroidered on their jumpers; 'Together Everyone Achieves More'.

We could not have put it better ourselves. Thank you one and all for your on-going support it makes a huge difference to the team. Please read the report with your child and let them know that we are extremely proud of them. The report will also be loaded to the website today.

Well done team! Onwards and upwards!

Mr John DF Martin Mr Graeme Train (Chair Governors) The Castle Hill Team