



Monks Orchard Primary School and Nursery

Head Teacher: Mrs Margaret Misson MA

Growing and Learning Together!

Dear Parents/carers

I am pleased to advise that the school's recent OFSTED report is now available and a copy accompanies this letter. Monks Orchard has retained its status as a "Good" school. Since the criteria for Ofsted changed in September 2012, this is an even more demanding grade to achieve and we are very proud to receive such a positive outcome.

On behalf of the Governing Body I congratulate Mrs Misson and all the school's staff on a fantastic achievement. I hope you will enjoy reading the report - there are many things to celebrate. To highlight a few extracts:

"Pupils from different groups and from different starting points, including the most able, all make good progress because the school is committed to providing equality of opportunity."

"In mathematics, pupils make rapid progress and reach above average standards at the end of year 6. The school provides particularly well for more able pupils. The proportion of those reaching the highest levels (level 6) is double the national figure."

"Teachers plan lessons carefully, taking into account the differing levels of ability of the pupils in their classes. They work well in teams, which benefits pupils because there is a high level of consistency in quality from class to class and year to year."

"Pupils have positive attitudes to their work and take pride in presenting their work well; standards of presentation and handwriting are high."

"Pupils behave well. The school fosters positive relationships and tackles discrimination effectively to create a harmonious environment where adults and pupils from many different backgrounds get on extremely well together."

"There are very robust systems in place to ensure the quality of teaching continually improves."

The report also includes suggestions which would assist the school in moving from 'Good' to 'Outstanding'. These will of course be part of future plans for continuing the school's success in providing a high quality education for all our children.

In addition to thanking the staff once again, I would also like to thank all those parents who contributed to the inspection process, through Parent View, letters and in speaking to the inspectors.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Philpotts,

Chair of Governors

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