



Our Vision

To inspire a love of learning

St Gilbert's Church of England Primary School

Foundry Road Stamford Lincolnshire PE9 2PP

20th September 2016

Dear Parents,

Re: Outcome of Ofsted inspection

On behalf of the Governing Board of St Gilbert's, I am happy to finally share the Ofsted report following their inspection visit on 12 July 2016. I would like to offer particular thanks to the many of you who contributed to the inspection by talking or writing to the inspector and completing the Parent View survey. I am also delighted the inspector was able to spend some time with the children, noting their good behaviour, their good work ethic and the friendly atmosphere around the school. The Governing Board are extremely proud of the way all the staff and pupils responded to the inspection, especially the many staff who worked very hard late into the evening to prepare for the inspector's visit.

St Gilbert's continues to be a good school.

Ofsted's methods and criteria for inspection have changed enormously over the last 5 years and become much broader based and more challenging. Maintaining a 'good' rating under the new inspection framework reflects the hard work of the staff and the many improvements we have seen in school since the last inspection.

Over the last 2 years there have been huge changes to the curriculum and a complete upheaval in the way pupil progress and attainment are measured. Against this background it is excellent to see the inspector comment that 'teaching is good in all key stages of the school' and recognises that children learn in an 'environment where expectations are high and outcomes across the school are improving'.

The inspector highlights consistency in spelling and presentation of work as areas for development along with the remaining gaps in attainment for some pupils. These areas are already being addressed.

The inspector's report contains a great deal of information and I hope you will all take time to read the detail. The Governing Board are pleased with the outcome and will seek further improvements from the school in response to the inspector's recommendations.

Yours faithfully

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