

## Histon & Impington Park Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Ofsted Report – Histon and Impington Park Primary School Catergorised- ‘Outstanding’ in all areas**

We are very pleased to attach our Ofsted report, following the inspection of the school on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June and to be able to share this with you all before the Summer holidays begin.

We are thrilled with the result, and the positive feedback that the inspectors have provided about our school. There is so much to celebrate. The report states that pupils learn to ‘embody the school values of pride, aspiration, respect and kindness’ and that ‘pupil’s behaviour is exemplary’.

We are delighted that the inspectors highlighted the excellent support provided for children with SEND, the extremely positive start they get in Reception and the ‘meticulous support’ for phonics and early reading which leads to ‘high achievement in reading across all year groups’.

The support and challenge provided by the Academy Council and Meridian Trust are also praised. Although she is not specifically mentioned in the report we would also like to thank Mrs Birch, who, as Deputy CEO and Executive Principal of the school, has provided both support and challenge over a significant number of years.

The outcome of this Ofsted is a result of many years of hard work. Our staff continue to work tirelessly for the good of the children and are committed to providing a high standard of education for children in the local community. Our dedicated Academy Council members volunteer their time willingly to support this. The staff at Meridian Trust (formerly CPET) have worked closely and developmentally with the school ever since 2015, sharing expertise and good practice. It is very much a team effort.

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to say a huge ‘thank you’ to all the parents, carers, and community members, who not only completed the Ofsted ParentView survey with such positivity but who support the school and their children so well. The inspector commented that it was one of the most overwhelmingly positive ParentView surveys that he had seen. We are deeply touched by the high esteem you hold the school in, and we promise to continue to do everything we can to support each and every child who passes through our school. In the opening paragraph of the report, it refers to pupils and parents ‘appreciating the privilege of being part of such an exceptional school community’. As a

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headteacher and staff, we also appreciate how lucky we all are to work with such wonderful children and such supportive parents, carers, and wider community.

I would also like to say ‘thank you’ to all our amazing children, who come to school every day with such enthusiasm and curiosity to learn, and with big smiles on their faces. The Ofsted inspectors spoke to a wide range of children over the two days of their visit, about a variety of subject areas and topics, and there were many positive comments, not all of which could be captured in the final report. They really are our best advocates and make the hard work that everyone puts into the school so worthwhile. The last two lines of the report are a reflection of this and my own personal highlight when it states ‘what truly sets this school apart is how all these positive aspects work together to develop pupils who are confident, clever, and kind. Pupils are a credit to themselves, their parents, and the school’.

There are always areas that can be improved and developed, and we will be focusing on these in the months and terms to come.

Once again, many thanks for all your support.

Have a wonderful summer holiday.

Yours sincerely

Jonathan Newman

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