



# The Abbey CE VA Primary School

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Dear Parents

## **Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) Report**

Many of you will be aware that we had our Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) on Wednesday 9 May. These take place every 5 years. I am thrilled to report that we have been judged to be **Outstanding**, achieving an outstanding rating in each of the four areas evaluated during the inspection:

**The distinctiveness and effectiveness of The Abbey School as a Church of England school**  
**The impact of collective worship on the school community**  
**The effectiveness of the teaching of religious education**  
**The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the school**

The SIAMS inspection report is attached to this letter for your reference and we hope you may find the time to read over half term. The previous inspection report can be found on our school website on the performance page. While we achieved an overall outstanding rating five years ago, you will note that we have improved this time, achieving the highest rating in all four areas, We will be inspected again in another 5 years.

As you can imagine, we are delighted that the inspection allowed us to celebrate all that is very special at our school. The Inspector's visit allowed us to showcase our journey since the last inspection and the way in which we have embedded our Christian values and driven forward further school improvements. The Chair of Governors, Ms Gupta, RE Lead, Mrs Yates, and myself as the Collective Worship Lead were extremely pleased to see the judgements of Outstanding in all four areas.

In my eighth year now as the Headteacher of The Abbey School I feel immensely proud of all of our children, staff, and governors who are involved in the everyday running of our school. They demonstrated extraordinary care and effort (including over the Bank Holiday) to prepare for the inspection itself.

I would like to particularly extend my thanks to you, our parents and carers. The Inspector remarked, more than once, at how engaged and involved you are in the life of the school and its Christian ethos. Many of you found time to speak with the Inspector on the day providing a real sense of what it is like to be part of this wonderful school community. Thank you all for your continued support.

I hope that you have an enjoyable half term break. I look forward to seeing you when school resumes on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Kind regards

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Headteacher

