



The results are in...

BPS is a



school!



The quality of education, Leadership & Management and Early Years Provision are...

WOOHOO!

Let's Celebrate



Behaviour & Attitudes and Personal Development are...



The inspection!

We are thrilled with our recent inspection, and are very proud to be able to share the results with you all finally! For those who don't know, we get a call the day before an Ofsted inspection, which is then followed up with a 90 minute phone call with the Headteacher to go through all the developments since the previous inspection and to outline the organisation for the following two days. The inspectors arrive at 8am, and leave by 6pm, and both days have a rigorous, packed itinerary of activities to be able to gather evidence for the outcomes in each area. Inspectors speak with subject leaders, governors, parents, our SENCO, thrive practitioners, Trustees, the CEO and of course the children (which is the best and most important bit!). They observe teaching and learning, assemblies, transition times, arrival and home times, before and after school clubs, and talk to children throughout the day, including breaktimes, listen to children read, and talk to them about reading at home and in school, and carry out work scrutiny of books. During our inspection, they spoke to over 50% of our children from Little Jesters to Year 6. It's incredible how much they manage to fit in, and it is exhausting for both them and us, but we are really happy with how the inspection was conducted and felt they got an accurate picture of our school during the time they were here!

They said that the culture was consistently happy and we had a strong vibe of excellent relationships across the school community. They told leaders how well we know our school, and how accurate our school improvement plans are when identifying priorities. They were extremely complimentary on how well we had achieved the actions since our previous inspection, with clear evidence of impact, despite doing this through a pandemic, and remarked that our positive outlook and ethos meant we persevered through a difficult time nationally to ensure we provided the best for our children. The inspectors hold regular catch up meetings with the SLT throughout the inspection, and the positive feedback was incredible! They did stress to us that they are limited for words in the final report, so it was important they verbalised just how high our standards are to us over the 2 days they were with us.

The areas for development for humanities, Art and DT to add our knowledge expectations to our curriculum design and assessment had already been identified by leaders, and is an action in progress, meaning there were no surprises for our team, and full validation of the solid, and progressive work leaders are doing to ensure that our curriculum is ambitious for all, helping our children to know more and remember more.

Please see below some direct quotes taken from the Ofsted report which we feel particularly proud of.

Highlights from the report!

Berkeley Primary School is a friendly and welcoming place to learn.

The support for pupils' personal development is inspiring.

The school is well led by ambitious and motivated leaders. Their vision, 'If a child is happy, they will achieve', is central to their work. Leaders have successfully addressed the recommendations from the previous inspection.

Adults work extremely well together and there is a real sense of team spirit. Leaders are considerate of staff wellbeing and morale is high.

Some comments made by parents to inspectors included, 'My child thrives here' and 'the school goes above and beyond'.

Pupils are extremely polite and kind. They listen intently and become immersed in their learning because they are curious. Pupils chat enthusiastically and confidently about their work.

Pupils consistently meet adults' high expectations and behave impeccably in and out of the classroom.

Pastoral provision is exceptionally strong. Adults form strong partnerships with pupils. Pupils feel safe and well cared for.

Governors and trustees challenge leaders and rigorously hold them to account.

Leaders have designed a high-quality, rich curriculum, built around interesting and well-planned sequences of learning. Learning that adults provide for pupils spark their enthusiasm. As a result, pupils focus on their learning and achieve well. The well planned curriculum supports pupils to be caring, thoughtful citizens.

Leaders have a precise understanding of pupils who have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). They plan appropriate teaching and pastoral support to help pupils learn the same curriculum as others. As a result of high-quality support, there are no interruptions to pupils' learning.

I shall send out the full report, and this will be made public on the Ofsted website in a few days. I hope you are as proud of your children's school as we/they are and you join us in celebrating a really fabulous, and well-deserved Ofsted inspection report. Thank you so much for the time so many of you took to share your views either through the survey or in person with the inspectors. Many of these were shared with us, and we feel honoured to have such a caring, kind and progressive community who understand the vision and values of our thriving school. I am immensely proud, and work with such an exceptional team who are all passionate and committed to the vision we share at BPS for the best educational experiences for the children we teach.

I wasn't even permitted to tell my own staff the results until today, so **CONGRATULATIONS** you absolutely **BRILLIANT** team! I couldn't be more pleased or proud if I tried! **Congratulations children** for working so hard with your learning, and showing the personal qualities of kindness, confidence and uniqueness we value so highly at BPS! Thank you to our incredible governors, and our amazing CEO and co-chair of governors who were able to be with us throughout, supporting the entire team! This really cements that what we say, we do. We are a relational school, and it shows!

Now, we celebrate, and move forward and make our curriculum even better for the children at Berkeley Primary school!

From your incredibly proud Headteacher

Congratulations!

