

## St Barnabas CE Primary School

## Preparing for a positive future, achieved through faith

17<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: SIAMS inspection outcome...It's official – we are an EXCELLENT school!

We would like to share with you the results of the inspection that took place last term – a Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS). In a similar way to Ofsted, all Church of England schools are visited regularly to evaluate the key question: How effective is the school's distinctive Christian vision, established and promoted by leadership at all levels, in enabling all pupils and adults to flourish?

We are very pleased and proud to be able to report to you that our school has achieved the **highest possible overall grade** of 'Excellent'.

The inspection comprised the following elements:

- The impact of collective worship: Grade awarded Excellent
- The Effectiveness of Religious Education (RE): Grade awarded Excellent
- Overall Grade awarded: Excellent

We are extremely proud of the report. Some of the findings are listed below:

"Through its deeply embedded Christian vision St Barnabas is outstanding, enabling all pupils and adults to flourish."

"Outstanding pastoral care for all in the school community is inspirational and anchored in the school vision. Staff care deeply for their pupils and their families."

"Leaders are creative and highly innovative in sensitively addressing the varied needs for each individual in their diverse community."

"The headteacher and staff are committed to excellence through their dedication to high quality teaching and learning."

"Excellent collective worship is the heartbeat of the school creating a very strong sense of community."

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"The leadership of religious education (RE) is outstanding. Consistently high levels of staff expertise leads to inspirational teaching."

"The school is highly inclusive and ensures that everyone feels supported and valued, enabling them to flourish and let their light shine."

"Pupils are fully engaged, highly motivated and enjoy their learning."

"There are many rich and varied leadership opportunities given to pupils."

"It is truly a place where all can let their light shine."

Our wonderful ethos and environment are thanks to the energy, skills and commitment of our whole school community – children, staff, parents and governors. It's a huge team effort and we feel so fortunate to be part of such a supportive and caring 'family'.

A huge thank you to all the hard-working staff at school who care deeply about the children here and strive for excellence every day. To all the children who strive to be the best they can be every day and who demonstrate our values through the way they live. And also to the parents and children who spoke to the SIAMS inspector and were so positive about our school.

We have published the report on the school website for parents and carers to access as well as having some paper copies in the main office should you wish to take a copy.

Yours sincerely,

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