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2021 OFSTED INSPECTION

Dear parents and carers,

You may remember that back in June 2021, despite still contending with a worldwide pandemic that had changed the school landscape for the past 18 months, Ofsted decided it was time to pay us a visit and carry out a school inspection. Her Majesty's Inspector Hazel Henson and Ofsted Inspector Liz Moore, spent one day in our nursery and school talking to parents, pupils, staff and governors. They observed lessons, scrutinised learning journeys and workbooks, checked policies and procedures, investigated all matters of health and safety and spent time finding all about us here at Langley Mill. No stone was left unturned!

We were last inspected in March 2016 when we were deemed a good school and after this very thorough June inspection, am I delighted to confirm that this judgement remains; we continue to be a good school and our safeguarding arrangements continue to be effective! This is the fourth inspection I have led at this school, all of which have been good.

The final report only arrived on Friday due to the summer holiday period and can be read in full on our school website: School Information>Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted)>Ofsted Report 2021. This link takes you directly to it:

https://www.langleymillinfantschool.co.uk/serve_file/2460096

It is a lovely inspection report, and there are many positive aspects cited within it and too many to summarise here! Comments parents made are summarised on page one of the report, with the statement, '*They feel that the school is a credit to the community*', reinforcing how hard staff work and how much they care about our pupils and their families.

I am sure you will join us all in being very pleased to have achieved good with only a few areas for improvement to work on. Achieving a consistently good standard is very hard work day in day out as Inspection Frameworks change, national expectations shift, local and wider priorities emerge and education never stays the same.







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I chose to become the Headteacher of this school back in September 2007 and I have never wanted to lead anywhere else since. I love the pupils and their families, I have an amazing staff, the building and grounds are spacious and well cared for and we offer a wonderful early education.

Thank you to the staff, pupils, governors and families who work tirelessly to maintain what is great about our nursery and school and who continually implement changes we make to ensure it continues to be so. In my eyes, Langley Mill is not just a good school, but a marvelous one and I feel that we all have shared a sustained determination to continue to build on our successes to strive to provide the very best quality of education.

I would also like to thank you as parents specifically, who have supported school in all we have been aiming to achieve. The inspectors noted; 'Parents praise the work of the staff. They say that they find out lots about what their children are learning and would recommend the school.' I always say how Langley Mill Church of England Infant School and Nursery is a partnership and the feedback from discussions and questionnaires have certainly shown that.

At our school, we are not chasing results, we are aiming to do the very best for each little person in our care. We strive to help all children to recognise their talents, build on their strengths, recognise where they may find something tricky and help them have the skills and knowledge to move forward from this. We endeavour to have fun and create caring, thoughtful and passionate pupils who are proud of themselves and the communities they live in, and we are pleased that Ofsted recognised this in their report, praising the school and the pupils for this.

Let's celebrate all that is wonderful here, let's sing from the rooftops how great we are, let's tell others all about the amazing things we do, let's share our good news with everyone we know. This is our time to 'show off' as Langley Mill Church of England Infant School and Nursery have a lot to be proud of. Governors, staff, parents/carers and <u>most importantly the pupils</u> all work hard every day to create something very special here in our school. I thank you for your continued support, it is greatly valued and appreciated and we look forwards to continuing to support your children in going from strength to strength.

Yours faithfully,

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Miss K. Scrivens (Headteacher)







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