

30th November 2016

Dear Parents and Carers

Outcome of Ofsted Inspection November 2016

As you may be aware, we were visited by Ofsted on 9th and 10th of November. It was 16 months since our HMI visit when Chandlers Ridge demonstrated to be making expected progress in response to the Requires Improvement judgement of March 2015. Most schools with a Requires Improvement judgement have 24 to 30 months from their HMI inspection to be then re-inspected by Ofsted.

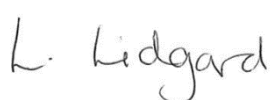
Within the past 16 months, Ofsted found that Chandlers Ridge has made many improvements since the previous inspection. Results in the EYFS and phonics are well above national averages. Results in Key Stage 2 continue to be in the top 10% in the country for attainment in combined reading, writing and maths. Much of the teaching, especially in Year 6, is particularly strong and promotes good progress in these classes and high standards at the end of key stage 2. Staff meet the needs of disadvantaged pupils and those who have special educational needs and/or disabilities well and pupils' behaviour is very positive and their attitudes and personal development are outstanding.

Alongside the many positive strengths of the school, Ofsted have concluded that the school is not improving quickly enough and we continue to be judged as Requires Improvement. Ofsted identified weaknesses in the consistency of teaching across the school including Early Years Foundation Stage and the level of challenge for our higher ability children. These are the areas we will be focussing on this academic year.


The full report will be published by Friday 2nd December 2016 and will be available here <https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report/provider/ELS/138656>. If you require a hard copy please contact the school office.

As a school we will continue to drive improvement forward quickly. Our full leadership team has been in place since 1st September 2016 with Mrs Bryant and Mr Pentney taking on the roles of Assistant Head, and together with the staff and Directors we are determined to build on the improvements we have made and work on the priority areas identified in the inspection.

If you have any questions or queries regarding the report please contact Mrs Lidgard either in school or by email to louise.lidgard@chandlersridge.org.uk.



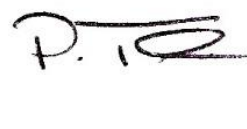
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