

STRETHAM COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL







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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware, on the 12th and 13th November 2024, we were visited by two inspectors from Ofsted who undertook a section 5, graded inspection. It was a rigorous and thorough process and the report and findings are a snapshot of two days' worth of evidence that is a reflection of the hard work taking place in school. It is written to be factual and summarise key findings from the visit; the report has been sent to you and can also be found on our school website.

Within the report, we are extremely pleased that the inspectors confirmed that the school was judged to be good in each inspection area. In addition to this, we are delighted that our pupils are the main focus of this report and are mentioned frequently throughout it. They are the beating heart of this school and we are overjoyed that their views and thoughts run throughout each section. The inspection team commented regularly over the two days how 'pupils are proud to attend Stretham' and that they were polite, well-mannered, respectful and a delight to speak to. This, alongside each judgement, is a testament to all of the staff, pupils and Stretham community, both past and present, who have supported and continue to support our school. Thank you to each and every one of you. The inspection team were also impressed by the number of responses on parent view; we are extremely grateful for each individual piece of feedback.

Across the two days, inspectors regularly commented on the quality of opportunity for all pupils both in and outside of the classroom and frequently discussed the strength of experiences provided to enhance pupils' personal development. The inspection team also commented on the rapid pace of change across the school and noted that Stretham has high ambition for all of its pupils. It was repeatedly mentioned that there are warm, trusting and respectful relationships between staff and pupils.

This is a solid foundation for us to build on and work has already begun in addressing our area of improvement. Of course, as stated earlier, the report is a succinct overview of the evidence gathered and shared with us by the inspection team. We would be keen to discuss this report and the evidence shared with us with yourselves on Wednesday 18th December at 3.15pm (in person) and at 6.30pm (via zoom.)

We firmly believe that Stretham Community Primary School is a great school and we are glad that this has been echoed by the inspectors. We will continue to give our all to ensure that the school is the best it can possibly be, to ensure that our children have every opportunity to reach their full potential and, that as a school family, we continue to grow.

We look forward to seeing many of you on Wednesday 18th December but in the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us through the school office.

Kind regards,

Matt Sweeney

Headteacher

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Co-Chairs of the Governing Body