

Doddinghurst Infant School

Wise Owl says. Laugh, Listen, Learn



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Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to share with you our 2022 Ofsted Inspection report. This is the School's first inspection in 13 years. As you can imagine the requirements, process and criteria have changed enormously in this time and we have been required to adapt to a changing educational environment. I am thrilled to say that Doddinghurst Infant school has achieved a **GOOD** rating across **ALL** categories in this new inspection regime.

I would like to extend a huge congratulations to all staff at the school, without them the school would not have managed this fantastic achievement. Everyone in the school worked tirelessly to evidence our warm and friendly learning environment.

Some of the comments we are particularly proud of include;

- "Teachers put in place the small steps of learning that enable pupils to achieve well".
- "Leaders have identified the most important knowledge and skills for pupils to learn."
- "There is a kind word and a friendly smile for everyone at this happy village school. Pupils are eager to play and learn together".
- "There is a real 'family' feel, which includes parents and carers".
- "Leaders have established strong systems to keep pupils safe. Teachers know their pupils well and are vigilant for any signs that pupils or their families need help".
- "Bullying is very rare. Pupils say that adults stop any unkindness straight away. Pupils feel safe in school".

We are now aware that we require a focus on the new Religious Education syllabus that we had introduced in September. Our teachers are working hard to ensure that any misconceptions are addressed, "knowing that the pupils are supported to take responsibility for their learning and develop independence".

I would like to extend a big thank you to all of you, our parents and carers, for your continued support and belief in our school. Finally, to our amazing children, the school wouldn't be what it is without you, well done for making us so proud!

If anyone has any questions please make an appointment with the school office.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Nicholson
Head Teacher