Wednesday, 27th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers.

Today we are very pleased to be finally able to share the report from our OFSTED inspection in June 2023.

The OFSTED inspection proved to be a positive experience for the school. We can be pleased that our overall judgements were rated as at least good, with inspectors noting aspects of each judgement as outstanding in their verbal feedback in team meetings.

Those of you familiar with previous reports will see how they have changed. The current reports are briefer and lead inspectors are required to keep to a tight word count.

Many strengths of the school are highlighted in the report including:

- New End is a friendly and caring school.
- The school has constructed an ambitious curriculum that enables pupils to achieve well.
- Staff help pupils to become articulate and confident.
- Staff have high expectations for all pupils, including those with Special Education Needs.
- Pupils' personal, social, moral and spiritual development is at the core of the school's work.
- Governors provide support and challenge to leaders to ensure that the ambitious expectations for all pupils continue to be achieved.
- Children, parents and staff hold the school in high regard. The team were overwhelmed with the response by our parent community in both the questionnaires and when talking to parents at the gate.
- Safeguarding remains effective and children feel cared for and supported.

Our thorough and wide ranging discussions with the team reinforced two improvement points that we had identified and were in development at the time of the inspection.

Everyone at New End looks forward to continuing to work with you and your children in making New End Primary School an even better place to be.