



# Cranborne Middle School

A Specialist School

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Dear Parent / Carers

I am absolutely delighted to be sharing with you our official Ofsted report from the inspection which took place during the 11th and 12th of June. All four categories have been assessed as 'Good', resulting in the school being awarded 'Good' overall!

Following on from the previous inspection published in January 2017, the inspectors highlighted the relentless nature of the Leadership Team and Governors to address the issues raised in the previous inspection. Discussions I had with the inspectors highlighted the passion and enthusiasm shown by all of the staff in working together to make the necessary improvements. This is something I have had great pleasure in celebrating, as it has been a real collaborative effort right from the outcome of the previous inspection.

Real efforts have been made by all staff to work on our provision of teaching and learning and this was again highlighted as a real success, showing that clear expectations are in place to develop children's resilience with their learning and enable them to master new skills. Children said that they were having to 'really think about their answer', again supporting our belief that children should be challenged in lessons.

One of our biggest selling points at Cranborne Middle School has always been our ethos of everyone having the right to learn. The inspectors highlighted the fantastic behaviour of our children, both in their lessons and during social times, as well as the clear culture of respect and tolerance in the school.

Inspectors shared with me how welcoming the staff and pupils were during their inspection. They were very impressed with how polite and well-spoken our children were, with the outcomes in their work, the quality of their reading and how there was a real sense of pride about working and attending Cranborne Middle School.

This ongoing journey to making Cranborne the best school it can be is only possible due to the dedication and commitment of our staff and governors, the invaluable support from our parents and stakeholders, and of course the efforts and positive attitudes of our fantastic children!

We felt particularly supported by the high proportion of parents who would wholeheartedly recommend Cranborne Middle School to someone else, and again I thank you so much for your backing.

Enjoy the report.

Yours sincerely

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