

Chapel St Leonards Primary School

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'Caring, Successful Learners'

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Dear parents and carers,

Headteacher: Mr G Almond

I am delighted to be able to share with you our Ofsted report from the inspection that took place in July. The inspection framework has changed somewhat over the last few years and now it is as rigorous and thorough as it has ever been.

I have provided a copy of the report which I hope you enjoy reading. You will see that our school is now rated as 'Good' having previously been rated as 'Inadequate' in 2017 before my arrival and conversion to join CIT. The school has been on an amazing journey and the hard work of the staff and pupils has been rightly recognised in the report.

Some of the highlights from the report are:

- Leaders have worked tirelessly ... their mantra is that school must 'open doors' for pupils.
- From the youngest to the oldest pupils give their ideas and opinions with confidence.
- Pupils only have positive things to say about their school.
- Teachers insist pupils fully participate in lessons.
- Pupils show high levels of respect for every member of staff, and each other.
- The curriculum is ambitious for all pupils.
- Pupils become effective communicators.
- Pupils are excited about reading.
- Pupils are keen to be the best they can be.
- Pupils learn about how to keep themselves safe. They know who they can speak to if they are worried.

I feel that it is fitting that this will be my last letter to you as Headteacher of Chapel St Leonards Primary School (a GOOD school!). I am immensely proud of the achievements of the school. I would like to pass on my sincere thanks to the staff who have worked so resolutely to give your children the very best and all our parents and carers who were so supportive and shared such positive experiences of our school during the inspection. Our amazing children and their enthusiasm for the school feature throughout the report too.

The school is in very safe hands with Mr Shaw at the helm and I know he will use the report to build on the strong foundations in place and make the school even better!

With my very best wishes to you all for the future

Graham Almond - Proud Headteacher

G. Almond