

Dear Christ Church Families

At the beginning of this month the School received a visit from the Reverend David Hatrey, who undertook the Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS).

The inspector spent the day visiting classes, observing collective worship, and talking to children, staff, parents and governors. His key focus was on gathering information on how effectively the School enables pupils to flourish through delivering its vision: 'Aspire, celebrate and learn in an inclusive community'.

We are delighted to say that Christ Church has retained its 'Good' grade. The inspector's findings reflect the hard work we undertake at Christ Church in areas of which we are particularly proud: Our ELLI approach to learning, the School community, our dedication to inclusion, the development of pupil's sense of self-worth and high expectation, staff support and development, and strong, cohesive leadership.

The inspector worked alongside our senior leaders to identify areas for development, which include: further embedding our vision and values so they can be confidently articulated by pupils; greater pupil involvement in planning and leading collective worship; and ensuring planned, progressive opportunities for spirituality and reflection are included in all subjects.

We came away from the inspection with a strong sense that the inspector had taken a child-focussed approach and found that our School structure supports holistic pupil development, and that our staff create an environment that supports and celebrates academic and personal achievement.

I would like to thank everyone who took part in the inspection, and all our staff for their continued focus on progress and development.

The inspection report is attached for you to read should you wish.

Best wishes,

Amy Laird

Chair of Governors