



Dear Parents and Carers,

Please find attached a copy of the Ofsted report of the inspection carried out in April 2022.

The Governing Body welcomes this report as providing a major contribution towards the future development of the school.

Governors were pleased that the inspectors confirmed that our children are safe, happy and confident at school. They commended the children on their positive behaviour and their good attitudes to their work, to those around them and to wider social issues. They noted that children felt that the school is improving.

However, the inspectors also confirmed the governors' own analysis of the current position of the school. The Governing Body had been aware of the need for wide ranging change well before the inspection. To that end, external reviews of both leadership and governance had been commissioned.

As a result, a number of steps to improve provision had already been taken. In September 2021 the Governing Body appointed a new external co-headteacher, Mrs. Coles, who immediately started to address some of the weaknesses.

From September 2022, Mrs. Coles will become the sole headteacher. A new external deputy headteacher has already been appointed to strengthen the leadership capacity and a new senior and middle leadership team will also be in place by September. All of these changes have received the full support of the local authority which has provided excellent help and guidance throughout.

The Governing Body recognises that there is still a considerable amount to achieve to put the school where it needs to be. However, the inspection team recognised that the changes already made by Mrs Coles have had a significant impact on the school. With the support of staff and parents, the Governing Body is confident that Bassingbourn Community Primary School has a bright and exciting future ahead for the children it serves.

Dr Hilary Hodge

Chair of Governors

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