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Dear Parents / Carers

It gives us pleasure to share our Ofsted report with you from our inspection on 15th and 16th of October.

Whilst we continue to look forward to taking our school on the next part of it's journey, we are so pleased with the significant progress that we have made together since our last inspection and the great successes that have been reflected in this report.

"Pupils are proud to attend this school"

"Pupils are happy and safe at school"

"The arrangements for safeguarding are effective"

"Pupils treat each other with respect"

"Pupils' behaviour and their attitudes to learning are strengths of this school"

"Pupils' special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) are carefully identified and planned for. The work and support these pupils receive is helpfully focused on the things that will make them successful"

"Pupils' safety is given the utmost importance by all the adults at this school"

"Leaders have identified correctly where pupils' learning needs to improve."

The report reflects what we are most proud of...the incredible young people we are lucky enough to work with every single day...we are extremely proud of each and every one of them...and we wouldn't be where we are today without the support we receive from our families and community.

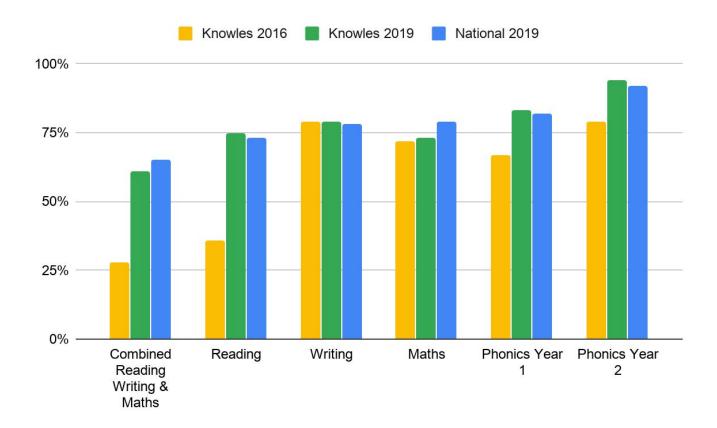


So what next?

Ofsted say:

"Pupils do not learn well enough, especially in mathematics and reading...and does not reflect the highest expectations for what pupils can achieve"

Over the last three years our results in Reading, Writing and Maths have improved significantly and the percentage of children leaving us in Key Stage 2 working at national expectations is now in line with national average.



"Most pupils meet the requirements of the Year 1 national screening check in phonics"

"Most pupils catch up by the end of key stage 2."

Having worked hard to develop these core skills across the school we now need to work on challenging our children further to reach the very highest levels. We are aiming for an increased percentage of our children achieving greater depth by the end of Key Stage 2.



Ofsted say:

"Teachers subject knowledge is not strong enough across all the subjects taught"

Another of our core focus' for this year is to develop and enrich our whole curriculum so that our children are reaching the same standards and gaining knowledge and skills in **all subjects** whether it is Science, Art or Music.... We have already reviewed and revised our curriculum and developed enrichment opportunities to make our curriculum more exciting and rich for our children.

"Pupils especially enjoy weekly enrichment activities where they get to learn new skills"

We will also continue to work with you to help the school improve it's attendance, although it is definitely heading in the right direction!

Many thanks to you all for your continued support and thank you to those of you who spoke to our inspectors or filled in the parent questionnaires. Lots to celebrate but also lots to look forward to as we continue our journey of improvement to ensure we get the very best for our children.

Yours Sincerely

Sarah Rice

Headteacher

