

Autumn 2017

Ofsted: 'Good' News for Queen Emma



The governing body was thrilled with the positive and affirming results of the Ofsted inspection conducted at the Queen Emma Primary School and Nursery prior to the summer break.

"The leadership team has maintained a good quality of education since the last inspection."

The inspector held meetings with senior leaders, middle leaders, teachers, a local authority representative and members of the governing body. The inspector also visited classrooms, reviewed work samples and spoke with pupils.

"Queen Emma Primary has maintained the positive vision and ethos..."

The inspector noted highly committed leadership, strong governance, smooth transition from Nursery to Reception and pupil's enthusiasm for learning among many highlights.

"Reading is also a particular strength of the school."

The school's curriculum was praised for its clarity, the manner with which it engaged pupils and its focus on securing progress and

attainment for all pupils, including those disadvantaged.

"You and your leadership team ensure that the school is fully inclusive."

Other areas inspected included attendance and safeguarding. These were regarded as good and create a pathway for learning in a nurturing environment.

"Queen Emma Primary is a very safe and happy place for pupils to learn and thrive."

The Inspector wants the school to maintain its focus on disadvantaged pupils to ensure access to the curriculum and attainment for all pupils.

The governing body thanks the hardworking staff of Queen Emma for their ongoing high level care and education of the children. We will continue to work with the school as they improve and develop the school's supportive learning culture.

"Governors share your vision and aspirations for each pupil to achieve well throughout the curriculum."

We would also like to thank parents who contributed via the pre inspection questionnaire.

"Parents wrote about the 'extremely dedicated staff' and the 'fantastic management team.'

The full inspection report can be accessed on the Ofsted website.

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/>

We're confident the school will continue to prosper and future inspections of Queen Emma and Queen Edith will also reflect the good works of the Federation's community.



The governing body is pleased that careful planning and the initiative of the Queen's Federation staff has led to an increased provision of child care opportunities for the 2017-2018 school year.

Pupils from Y2 upwards at both schools continue to be offered before and after school care by Cambridge Kids Club based at Queen Edith, with the Queen Emma Nursery offering Breakfast and After School provision to children in Reception and Year 1. Similar provision has now been set up at Queen Edith Nursery in the form of 'Little Dragons'.

At Queen Emma 20 children now attend the Premier Sport pre-school sports club. One of our governors visited the club and observed happy and engaged children. Here's what they said...

"It's really good and mostly you do 2 or 3 games."

"It gets you awake at the start of the day."

"I really enjoy playing bouncy clap."

Several lunch time, after school and weekend activities are also offered to provide children with cultural, artistic and sporting opportunities.

The governing body understands wrap around care options are important for some families and we will continue to work with school leaders to maximise sustainable opportunities for children and their families.

Parents are advised to access notes, newsletters and parent mail or contact the school office of their respective school for further information about childcare and activities.

Baby News

Governors would like to congratulate Queen Edith Deputy Head teacher, Mrs Swift and her partner on the birth of their first child Edward 'Ted'.

We are delighted that Miss Neal has returned to Queen Edith School as Acting Deputy Head teacher. Having taught at Queen Edith for many years, her knowledge of the school and its community staff will ensure continuity.



Welcome

The governors welcome Miss Herbert, Miss Papworth and Miss Lewis to the Queen Edith teaching staff.

We also welcome Miss Barnes, Miss Buckingham, Mrs Holman and Miss Long to the Queen Emma teaching staff.

Queen Emma School is also very happy to welcome Mrs Qureshi as our new Phase Leader for KS1 and Y2 class teacher.

Contact Us

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