

Friday 8th December 2023

Dear parents/carers,

We're delighted to inform you that Milwards Primary School and Nursery has been awarded a '**good**' judgement by Ofsted in our latest inspection which took place on the 7th and 8th of November 2023.

We're extremely happy that the hard work of our staff has been recognised, and I'm sure you'll join me in congratulating everyone who works and volunteers at our school.

I wanted to draw your attention to the following feedback we received:

- Pupils behave well. They rise to the school's high expectations, being polite and showing good manners throughout the school day. Pupils stay focused as they enjoy their lessons.
- The school has an ambitious curriculum. It equips pupils with the most important knowledge they need to learn. The curriculum planning is broken down into small steps which build lesson by lesson. This helps pupils to succeed at school.
- EYFS: Engaging resources provide children with meaningful opportunities to develop their learning and curiosity. This ensures all children make progress in all areas of learning. Robust transition arrangements support children to settle quickly when they start school. Skilled adults identify children's needs and ensure children are ready for Year 1.
- Since the last inspection, leaders have raised the profile of reading in school.

I also wanted to personally thank everyone who completed Ofsted's Parent View survey. This is such valuable feedback, and we will read every comment to continue to make the school the best that it can be.

You can access the report in full <https://www.milwards.essex.sch.uk/ofsted-and-performance-data/>

What this means for us now:

- Our senior leadership team will be reviewing all the feedback we received over the course of the inspection in depth, and we'll look to update our school improvement plan
- We'll update staff/governors in an upcoming staff/governing board meeting on how we'll apply any feedback as part of our ongoing plan of action to improve the school
- Our next inspection will be in approximately 4 years' time

Thank you once again for all the support you continue to give the school.

Best wishes,

Mr M Doughty

Head Teacher

Everyone is equal and everyone is accepting