



School Improvement Report for Parents 2018

Part 1: Achievement and Standards

Key Stage 2 SATS Results in 2018 Well done everyone!

	Reading	Writing	Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling	Mathematics	Read, Writing, Maths Combined
NGPS Result	85%	81%	91%	78%	69%
National Average	71%	76%	77%	75%	61%

Part 2: Teaching, Learning and the Curriculum

This year has continued to be a strong in terms of pupil progress and the overall quality of teaching. We have seen an increase in the proportion of outstanding teaching this year. Your children are extremely lucky to have such talented staff working with them, who are really committed to constantly improving their teaching!

Teachers have focused on developing the level of challenge for all pupils in lessons. Children all have different areas of strength, and are at different stages of their learning, so this can be very tricky! A Teacher Learning Community (TLC) inset session on 'Challenge for All' took place on 13.11.17, looking at hands on strategies to ensure all children are challenged within the classroom, in response to Ofsted feedback. Following this session, a round of peer observations took place linked to challenge for all. Teachers watched each other teach, and gave feedback on what they had seen. In addition, all subject leaders had an objective this year linked to challenge for all on their action plans. These objectives have been monitored in termly line management meetings with the DHT (Teaching and Learning). The level of challenge in lessons and evidence of challenge in books, has shown real improvement.

This year we have promoted Simon into the role of Music Specialist across both Schools. We have promoted Alice and Alex into Cover Supervisor Roles. We have promoted Rosa into the Maths Leader role, Donna into the Digital Strategy Leader role and had very strong recruitment for our Aspiring Teacher programme.

I am also pleased to report that Lucy and Sophie have been promoted to the Teacher Apprentice scheme and will be based at Rotherfield next academic year. Musa has also been successful in her application to this scheme and will be based at Newington Green.

Further improvements planned for this coming academic year are:

- Developing Specialist teaching in Art/Design and Design and Technology (Kate will be the specialist based across here and Rotherfield)
- Developing Donna's new role of Digital Strategy Leader across both Rotherfield and Newington Green. Donna will continue teaching your child computing, but will also be developing teacher's use of technology across all lessons in both schools.
- Developing our approach to mastery teaching in mathematics

Part 3: Building and Premises

This year, Terry our Premises Manager has continued to lead developments of the school building which are having a positive impact on the children. By September 2018, we will have a fully

useable outdoor classroom space located outside the current multi-use room. This space is covered for all weathers and will be booked and used by classes for messy activities like science or cooking, or just a space to make a change from their classroom!

This year Terry has also led the creation of an Art Studio which is located in the old Nursery building. It is so lovely to have a dedicated space for the development of Art/ Design and Design/Technology!

Further improvements planned for this coming academic year are:

- Re- developing the tower building on the Newington Green side of the school estate. We will be using this space for Music and Spanish teaching rooms.
- Further develop the new art studio in the old Nursery building

Looking forward....

I hope that you have found this report useful in helping you to understand some of the important developments that took place for us as a school last year. We work very hard to ensure our pupils get the best possible education and we are very proud of all of the improvements we have made as a school. However, we are always interested in learning more in order to continue to improve the school, which is why we have identified some key areas that we will work on to improve even further over the coming year.

Areas for Improvement 2017-18...

1. Outcomes for children across all key benchmarks to be above national averages, so that children leave us with the best start possible, ready for secondary school.
2. To develop middle leaders and experienced teachers to impact the quality of teaching and pupil progress. This will ensure that all pupils are supported to meet their own targets.
3. Non- teaching systems and operations to be effective. This means improving our business practices related to finance, organisation of the school, and communication with staff and parents.

I look forward to being able to update you about our progress in these areas in the future!

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