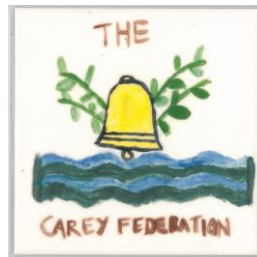


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Dear Parents,

I am delighted to enclose Halwill Primary School's Ofsted report for the inspection which took place on 10th December 2019. We are very pleased that Ofsted have continued to rate us as a 'Good' school.

We are pleased that Ofsted recognised many aspects that we are proud of, here are just a few examples:

'Staff and pupils have caring relationships with each other.'

'Teachers expect the best from all pupils and want them to achieve well.'

'Pupils are respectful, polite and well mannered.'

'The teaching of reading has a high priority.'

'Teachers' planning for writing is comprehensive.'

'Pupils' learning is enriched beyond the national curriculum in a range of ways.'

'The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.'

'The school's motto of 'aim high; be resilient; take care of each other' is at the centre of all learning.'

With our motto in mind, we 'aim high' to further improve and we notice that Ofsted have mentioned two areas where we could improve in relation to handwriting and writing. We had already included a target on our School Development Plan to address these and we are working to introduce joined, cursive writing earlier to enable children to be fully confident with joining by the end of year 2. It is a national requirement for the most able children to be joining their letters by the end of year 2 in order to reach the greater depth standard in writing, so we are confident that our work on this will address both our Ofsted targets.

I am so proud of all of our staff, volunteers and children for all that they do to make Halwill such a wonderful school to work and learn in. Thank you to all of them and to our governors for their continued support. Also many thanks to our parents. This report is for everyone; a real team effort.

Well done and thank you,

Mrs Ruh Alford

Executive Headteacher

