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Instilling Courage, Creativity, Compassion and Curiosity and always striving to be the best that we can be.



'APPLY YOUR HEART TO DISCIPLINE AND YOUR EARS TO WORDS OF KNOWLEDGE' – PROVERBS 23:12

17th June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know, the school received a visit from an Ofsted inspector on 11th May 2022. This was a first monitoring visit to check on the school's progress, following our full Ofsted inspection in October. Please find attached a letter and short report from the inspector.

After a monitoring visit like this, the inspector does not change the school's Ofsted grading. Instead, they are asked to comment on whether the school is taking 'effective action' to improve and whether our plans are 'fit for purpose'. As you will see, the inspector was very positive about the actions taken by the school, highlighting a number of developments and recognising the impact of our efforts to secure improvement. In particular, the inspector recognised improvements in the children's learning behaviour, our curriculum plans and delivery and a more consistent approach to teaching phonics.

We have tried to develop key areas in the school while continuing to offer the broad, rich experiences that we know the children appreciate so much, such as Forest School, competing at the Suffolk County Farm Fair (winners!), the astronomy evening, the tractor visit, whole-school theme days on dragons and pirates, looking after the hen's eggs and the pantomime trip. Our aim is that these enrichment activities alongside improvements to the core work of the school will give the children a balanced, happy and successful start in life.

There is still work to do to give the children the best possible school experience. In particular, we want to continue working on our Nursery provision, including the development of inspiring early reading opportunities and we need to fully embed the new approach to phonics. Our new curriculum planning is almost complete, with just a few aspects that need finalising. You can see all the new curriculum documentation on the website at <http://www.stokebynaylandprimaryschool.org.uk/curriculum/curriculum-info>.

We are grateful to the inspector for the positive feedback on what proved to be a very useful day. My thanks also go to everyone in the school community who has contributed to improving the school. Staff members and Governors have worked really hard throughout the year and the support of parents has been invaluable. Most of all, the children have been absolutely brilliant. It has been delightful to see them grow in confidence and motivation, becoming more active learners. In lessons, they are engaged and happy, showing enjoyment and purpose.

We shall continue to work hard for you and your children, striving to be the best school we can be. If you have any comments or questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school. We would be grateful if you could complete the slip at the bottom of this letter.

Yours sincerely

Mr Frolish
Executive Headteacher

FAO Mr Frolish

Ofsted Monitoring Visit

Date: _____

Name: _____

Child(ren)'s name and class: _____

Please write any comments / questions about the school on the reverse of this slip and return to the office.



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Gold



Linguamarque
Silver



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