



# St. Michael's C.E. Junior School (Controlled)

Church Lane East, Aldershot, Hampshire, GU11 3SS  
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Ref: Ofsted Report March 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Attached is our Ofsted Report.

We are clearly disappointed with the result of the inspection and the somewhat overly negative tone of our Ofsted Report especially as, in verbal feedback from the Lead Inspector, she described the school as *'requiring improvement but on the edge of good with some outstanding features, therefore in a good place for rapid improvement'*. We do not feel that this has sufficiently come through in the report which we had hoped would celebrate our strengths. It has left the staff and governors feeling disheartened by the process however, in order to do the very best for our children and as noted in our own self-evaluation, we have clear areas for improvement and are determined to tackle those swiftly.

In addition to the publication of the report, we will be holding a parent meeting so that we can address specific questions and any of your suggestions following on from reading it. We ask that these questions/suggestions be submitted by Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> March so that we can collate our responses; please use the red postbox in reception. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm in the hall.

Last October, I informed the Governing Body of my intention to take retirement at the end of the 2016-17 academic year. As a consequence, the governing body is now looking at interim arrangements for the Autumn Term and they will be working together with our staff on an action plan to ensure rapid improvement as well as the recruitment of a new Headteacher.

Needless to say, it has been a privilege to work with you and your children and I will very much miss my interaction with them and with the fantastic team of people here at St. Michael's.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L. Hignett  
Headteacher and the Senior Leadership Team



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