Shellingford CE (A) Primary School

Headteacher: Miss Judith Terrell



"Inspiring hearts and minds"

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SIAMS Inspection Report – March 2025

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to forward to you a copy of our recent SIAMS Inspection Report which took place on the 4th March 2025; it will also be available on our school website.

All church schools undergo a SIAMS inspection (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools). A SIAMS inspection is always an important moment in the life of any church school and, like Ofsted, it is both rigorous and thorough, and met with much anticipation.

The SIAMS inspection focuses on the impact that the school's theologically rooted Christian vision has on the flourishing of the whole school community. The main objective is to evaluate and report on whether the school is living up to its foundation as a *church school* across the following areas:

- Collective Worship;
- Religious Education;
- Spiritual development in the wider school curriculum
- Academic achievement, inclusion and well-being of pupils and adults
- o Global citizenship and responsibility towards others

Under the current SIAMS inspection process the final outcome is no longer rated as Outstanding, Good, Satisfactory, or Inadequate but instead the inspector will make one of the following judgements:

- J1 The inspection findings indicate that the school is living up to its foundation as a Church school, and is enabling pupils and adults to flourish.
- J2 The inspection findings indicate that the school has strengths, but that there are also issues that leaders need to address as a matter of priority.

We are extremely pleased to be judged as 'living up to its foundation as a Church school, and is enabling pupils and adults to flourish.' (J1)

The inspector highlighted that the school has notable strengths; the report recognises that our Church of England status is very important to us and that our Christian values underpin every decision that we make for our children and adults.

The report is extremely heartening to read, as well as guiding us in our next steps as a school and I would encourage you to read it.

Thank you again for your encouragement and support during this inspection. We are pleased that our SIAMS has taken place and gone very well.

Our school community has worked incredibly hard over the last seven years and I, as Headteacher, am very proud of our achievements. Thank you to you all.

With best wishes, Judith R Terrell

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