



**'Together We Can'**

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## Ofsted Inspection Report

Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to be able to share with you our long awaited school Ofsted Inspection Report. Leavening Community Primary and Nursery was inspected on the 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and as a result, it was confirmed that our school is a **GOOD** school in all areas.

Since our previous inspection in November 2019 we have worked relentlessly to ensure the school has rapidly improved under this framework and through navigating significant turbulence in staff, the long term absence of myself as headteacher throughout 2020- 2021, the challenges of COVID and its impact, we are delighted with the quality of education and personal development opportunities our pupils receive from nursery through to Year 6.

The inspection recognised the following aspects of our wonderful school:

- Pupils say they enjoy school. Staff work hard to ensure that learning is enjoyable. They know the pupils well and adapt learning to meet individual needs. Many pupils talk about how kind everyone is at Leavening Primary. They say everyone is included. Many parents echo this view. They comment on how well their children 'thrive' and 'flourish' at this nurturing school.
- The school's curriculum is ambitious and engaging and pupils enjoy learning.
- Staff ensure that pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) are fully included in lessons. Staff target extra help where needed to ensure pupils can engage in learning.
- Reading is a priority at Leavening Primary School. The school has invested in improving the quality of phonics teaching. This is having a positive impact. Pupils learn to read fluently and to develop their understanding. Staff identify and support pupils that need extra help quickly.
- Children in the early years benefit from a curriculum that prepares them for future learning. Adults encourage pupils to talk and extend their vocabulary.
- The school prepares pupils well for life in the wider world. Older pupils speak thoughtfully about equality and diversity. Pupils learn about tolerance and most show respect for adults and other pupils. The school cultivates a positive, family environment.
- **There is a positive culture of learning and development for all, summed up in the school's vision 'together we can'.**



Look and learn beyond the classroom | Have high aspirations and fulfil our potential  
Care, share and belong | Lead, teach and learn with passion



Our next steps have been identified by school leaders and ratified by the inspectors and we look forward to further developing our provision at Leavening Primary School, in the future.

I would like to express my thanks to my extremely hardworking, dedicated and passionate staff, past and present who have been part of this school improvement journey.

Also, to the school governors, who are committed, highly skilled and fully invested in our school. Finally, to you, our parent and carer group, who have continued to champion and support our school over the years and who play an important part in your child's education in partnership with us.

We are proud that Ofsted have recognised our strengths and have agreed that we are a **GOOD** school once again.

Kind regards

Sian Mitchell