

Bishops Lydeard

Church of England VC Primary School

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21st October 2015

Dear Parents,

Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) Report.

On the 21st September 2015 we had our Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) inspection. A SIAMS inspection takes place every five years. I am pleased to be able to send you a copy of the final published report. Under the SIAMS 2012 framework, different to the previous framework, the judgement is normally linked to the Ofsted judgement. I can now inform you that the school was graded as 'Satisfactory'; which we are pleased with as it shows the progress since the last Ofsted and the recent efforts of the school community.

The inspection is designed to assess three key aspects of effectiveness as a Church School:

- The school, through its distinctive Christian character
- The impact of collective worship on the school community
- The effectiveness of the leadership and management of the school as a church school

The inspector, when feeding back to governors and staff, stressed that his judgement follows a different framework to 2010 and that he could clearly see that the school had made good progress since its last inspection in 2010 and was well on its way towards a judgement of 'Good' – our target for next time.

This positive outcome is a result of the whole school community working hard to improve our school. The children demonstrated our Christian character and we were very proud of them all. I would like to thank everyone who was involved in the inspection day. I would also like to mention Mrs Parks, as our Religious Education leader, and thank her for her leadership in moving the school forward in the ways described in the report.

A message from the Bath & Wells SIAMS Manager:

'May I, on behalf of the Diocese, thank you, all your colleagues, your governors, parents and children for the effort you have put into preparing for and

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undergoing this inspection. I hope you feel your efforts have been appropriately commented on and rewarded and that you will now be able to use the experience of the inspection and the report to continue developing the Christian foundation of your school'

I hope you find this report valuable in understanding how effective the school is as a Church of England school, what it does well and how it can further improve.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Clothier'.

Mrs Clothier
Headteacher