



Comments from our OFSTED June 2019

Staff know their pupils very well. Relationships between adults and pupils are extremely positive. The school has a 'homely' feel to it.

Pupils' personal development is enhanced through educational visits.

Adults use the diverse school population as a resource for pupils to speak different languages, including German, French and Spanish.

Pupils progress well in a wide range of subjects.

Pupils make particularly good progress in science. They increasingly deepen their scientific knowledge and skills and work systematically through a range of well-planned experiments.

Parents are extremely supportive of the school and its leadership. All parents who responded to OFSTED's Parent View survey agreed their children were happy, safe and looked after well.

One comment typical of others was, 'We are very lucky to have found such a caring and enriching school. My child's self-belief, confidence and engagement with learning have increased beyond belief in the last two years.'

The quality of teaching is consistently good, including in early years.

Teachers ensure classrooms are bright and stimulating. The good range of resources helps to support pupils' writing and mathematical development

The leadership of the provision for pupils with special educational needs and / or disabilities is a strength. Pupils with SEND make good progress and receive effective support. Their needs are identified promptly, and individual education plans are sharply focused and reviewed frequently.

A response to Ofsted's staff questionnaire was ' It is a lovely place to work, great staff, management and supportive parents who all work together to create this very special environment where children thrive.'

Teaching assistants' support for pupils is a strength of the school's work. They understand the importance of promoting pupils' independence by allowing tasks to be completed by the pupil.

Pupils have an 'off piste' learning book. This allows for 'in the moment' learning and encourages pupils to investigate their own interests and to learn about current news stories. This approach helps to motivate pupils to maintain their interest in school.

Pupils are keen enthusiastic learners. They ask relevant questions and have a good attitude to learning which positively on the progress they make.

