



Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted to send you a copy of the letter received from Ofsted following the visit of an Inspector on 9th May which states that 'This school continues to be good'. This is a fantastic confirmation of what we have all been working for and a real achievement, not only because that is the best anyone could expect from a one day inspection but because it is what was sometimes described as 'solidly good'. In other words, this really is a brilliant school!

In the opening paragraphs we read how the children's behaviour is commended; the headteacher and her team 'work with considerable success to provide a caring and nurturing environment' for the children and; 'the school upholds the deeply held values of the Trust'. What a tribute that is to Mrs Savill and all the amazing people that make up Bardfield Academy. We were told on the day that we had a 'workforce with a real passion' and a 'hub of excellence' for the community – and I for one cannot be prouder of their accomplishments!

As you read through all that is commended and the two 'Next Steps' I am sure you will be very encouraged that your child(ren) receive an education we can be pleased with. Neither of these next steps come as a surprise and you can be sure that the entire team supported by the Directors will continue to work for even better things!

Thank you for your support, we welcome and need to work in partnership with you for the sake of the children.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Simmonds
Chair of Directors
South Essex Academy Trust

