

St Marys Wavendon CE Primary School has achieved rating of 'good' at its Ofsted inspection published today, 22 July 2024.

Inspectors noted that "pupils flourish in this caring and friendly school' and, as a result, "Pupils feel happy and are kept safe". Headteacher Amanda Dicks said she was delighted that the inspectors had recognised that the school had established "an ambitious and well-sequenced curriculum". She highlighted the Inspectors comment that 'Pupils are respectful towards each other, and towards adults and that the school has high expectations of what pupils can achieve, including those with special education needs and/ or disabilities (SEND)'.

Amanda Dicks continues, 'The whole extended school community is so happy that the hard work of our staff and pupils has been so richly rewarded with this judgement. Families in our locality have access to and a choice of high-quality provision on their doorstep.'

Chair of Governors, David Hopkins comments that he is 'extremely proud of the outcome of the recent inspection. I wish to thank all staff, fellow governors, children and their parents for the hard work and dedication each and every one has given to the St Marys community in what has been, and continues to be and ever-changing environment and for making the school such a wonderful nurturing place in which to learn'

The report commended the school's teaching identifying that it 'has an ambitious and well sequenced curriculum starting from the early years', and the report continues, ' that the curriculum is carefully designed to ensure that pupils knowledge builds on their earlier learning' and that ' this supports them well for later year groups'.

The school's governing body was also praised, noting that 'Governors have a sharp oversight of the schools work, this enables them to hold the school fully to account for the quality of education that pupils receive'.

David Hopkins concludes, "The report reflects all the hard work everyone has put into the school over many years. The children attending St Marys have a wonderful opportunity to love, learn and grow in a safe and exciting learning environment through a stimulating and expertly delivered curriculum."

The full inspection is available to view online at https://www.stmaryswavendon.milton-keynes.sch.uk/

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Note: St Mary's CE Wavendon changed location from the centre of Wavendon Village (capacity approx. 100 Students), to its new location in Eagle Farm South in 2019, Currently educating a little over 450 students the school continues to grow towards its ultimate planned capacity of 630.

Note: Chair of Governors, David Hopkins, has been a school governor at St Marys since 1990. He is also the chair of the Wavendon Parish Council and is a Milton Keynes City Council ward councillor for the area in which the school resides. He is also an old boy, being a lifelong Wavendon resident and attending Wavendon Primary School (as it was then) between 1961 and 1967.

Note: St Marys CE Wavendon Primary School is currently in the process of academisation with the intention of joining the successful and respected local Multi Academy, Trust, Inspiring Futures through Learning (IFtL). The integration of the school with IFtL is expected to be completed by 1 December this year.