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Dear Parents and Carers

Your school, being a church school, does of course have a Christian ethos. Church schools undergo formal inspections every five years called 'Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools' (SIAMS). The inspector assesses the school using this question: "How effective is the school's distinctive Christian vision, established and promoted by leadership at all levels, in enabling pupils and adults to flourish?". This academic year, the Headteacher and Governors have tweaked our previous Christian vision ('Learn to Love; Love to Learn') and replaced it with: "Cherish and Challenge" — to be a school that reflects the love of Christ: cherishing each other as unique individuals and challenging all to achieve and succeed. A SIAMS inspection focusses on how we 'live out' this vision and the impact it has on well-being, learning and overall development.

A SIAMS inspection of our School was made on 8 May 2019 by the Inspector, Sally Jenkins. Mrs Jenkins' report been published the school's website https://www.busbridgehas on junior.surrey.sch.uk/web/siams/150242) and is also attached - I hope that you will find the time to read this. As Chair of Governors, I am pleased to report that the Inspector has rated the effectiveness of the school's Christian vision overall to be 'Good', indeed Mrs Jenkins indicated that the school's overall rating was only marginally short of being the aspirationally high grading of 'Excellent'. You will see that in particular she considers the teaching and learning of RE to be exceptionally well led and highly effective. She considers that the school's collective worship is, like RE, an important element of the school and that the school's leadership enables pupils and adults to flourish.

May I offer a particular thanks to staff, children, parents and my fellow governors who spoke to Mrs Jenkins on the day of the inspection and helped the school to secure such a favourable outcome.

With all best wishes

Ron Downhill
Chair of Governors

