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South Darley C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents,

SIAMS Report

Firstly, Happy New Year! I hope you all had a good break and are ready for the new term. On behalf of all the staff, thank you for the gifts and presents we received. You are very kind, and they are much appreciated.

Just as the term was ending, we received the final SIAMS Church School Inspection Report for our school following our inspection on 5th December, which we attach along with this letter. I encourage you to read it in full as it is a credit to all the hard work undertaken by pupils, staff, governors, and the wider community. Thank you to all of you who took the time to talk to the inspector as you really helped her understand the working of the school and how the Christian ethos and vision of the school is lived out on a daily basis.

When reading the report, it is important to understand that there are no longer one-word gradings as there were in previous SIAMS inspection frameworks. Therefore, whilst we were considered Outstanding in our previous inspection in 2016, there is now just a list of strengths and areas to develop. However, church schools still have to prove that they are fulfilling their role as an effective Church of England School and the report states that we are achieving this.

We can all be proud of the report and what it says, but more important is the impact that our school is having on children's lives, and that we all work together to make that impact as meaningful as possible.

Thank you again,

Paul Wilde
Headteacher

At South Darley we strive to be living as Children of Light (Ephesians 5:8), for if we walk in the light, as Jesus is in the light, we will have fellowship together. (1 John 1:7)



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