

Dear Parents and Carers

I would firstly like to thank those parents who attended last night's Ofsted Parents' Meeting. Several members of the Governing Body were in attendance and the meeting was chaired by Reverend Stephen Banks. We also had in attendance Mr Christopher Mansell, who has been appointed by the MAT board to support the Leadership Team in the coming months. At the meeting the main points of the March 2016 Ofsted report were discussed with parents and parents were invited to give their comments and ask questions.

The main points raised by parents at the meeting:

- Parents expressed confidence in the Headteacher to move the school to good
- Parents value the ethos of the school and don't want this affected by changes
- Inconsistencies regarding homework including the amount of time to complete tasks – also concern that sometimes children are set homework that hasn't been covered in class
- Concern that year groups are often split between two classes
- Slow communication from the leadership team regarding actions post inspection
- Lack of focus (objectives) in some lessons
- Issues regarding the breadth of curriculum, due in some part to split classes
- Concerns regarding the progress pupils make at the school

What school intends to do?

- Christopher Mansell is to examine the homework across the school and advise the governing body of next steps to improve this aspect
- Mr Mansell is to examine pupil numbers and advise on possible class structures for 2016-2017
- SLT will communicate fortnightly via the newsletter and through the latest news section on the website with news on developments. As part of our communication drive the new website address is www.austreyceprimaryschool.co.uk
- As outlined in the Post Ofsted Action Plan, the main priority will be to work with staff in improving the quality of teaching and learning across the school
- Concerns about some pupils not making enough progress are also to be fully addressed as part of the Action Plan.
- Mr Mansell assured parents that the Leadership Team has a robust action plan in place, and that it is his job to ensure Mr Kilkenny is supported effectively to successfully implement that plan.

If you were unable to attend the evening but would like to make any comments for governors to be aware of please fill in the slip below and return to the school office. I hope you are able to spend some time with your families over the half term and we thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully
Mr Lee Kilkenny

Name ----- Child's class -----

Any Comments please