

Meeting: Education Advisory Board

Subject: Ofsted school inspections Spring term 2020

Date: 15th July 2020

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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 This report sets out the outcomes of 2 Ofsted school inspections that were carried out by Ofsted during the Spring term 2020 before all inspections were suspended by Ofsted due to the pandemic. This follows a report that was provided to Board Members in February 2020 with a summary of the outcomes of Ofsted inspections for the late summer and autumn terms 2019.
- 1.2 The report also provides:
- a summary of the overall position for Ofsted judgements across schools in Portsmouth (Appendix 1)
 - an update on the support given to Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School which was judged to be inadequate last year and which was reported on in the previous paper to Board Members (Appendix 2)
 - a brief update on the resumption of Ofsted inspections in 2021.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that members of the Education Advisory Board note the outcomes of the school inspections that were undertaken during the Spring term 2020, the continuing work that is being undertaken by the council to address the Inadequate judgement given to Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School last year and the plans by Ofsted to resume inspections in 2021.**

3. Ofsted school inspections - late summer and autumn terms 2019

- 3.1 During the Spring term 2020 there were just 3 Ofsted school inspections; 2 of which were short one day inspections (section 8); and 1 of which was a two day inspection (section 5). A summary of the section 8 inspections and outcomes is given below in Table 1. The section 5 inspection referred to below has yet to be published.

Table 1: Summary of Ofsted school inspections in Portsmouth - Spring term 2020

School	LA / Academy	Type of inspection	Dates	Outcome
Solent Infant	De Curci Trust	Section 8 Inspection	11 th February 2020	Continues to be Good
UTC Portsmouth	Stand alone Academy Trust	Section 5 Inspection	26 th & 27 th February 2020	Report has yet to be published
Solent Junior	De Curci Trust	Section 8 Inspection	10 th March 2020	Continues to be Good

4. Ofsted inspections in 2020/21

- 4.1 Ofsted has announced its plans for the autumn as schools and colleges open to all children. Routine inspections will remain suspended for the autumn term, with a plan to resume in January 2021. In the autumn term, Ofsted will be carrying out 'visits' to schools and colleges, not inspections. These will look at how schools and colleges are getting pupils back up to speed after so long at home and will not be graded

5. Overall summary

- 5.1 In Portsmouth, 91.9% of inspected schools are now either Good or Outstanding (90.5% of all schools) and 93.4% of pupils are taught in inspected schools that are Good or Outstanding (92.1% of all pupils). [Appendix 1](#) provides a series of graphs and charts which show the trends between end of July 2019 and end of June 2020.

Appendix 1: Ofsted judgements for Portsmouth LA Maintained Schools and Academies