



WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

# SUMMERLEA C.P. SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2019

We would like to provide you with an update on progress with our School Improvement Plan now that we are halfway through the academic year, having last written to you in October 2018.

Please see the attached document, which is a parent-friendly summary.

This academic year, we have been continuing to embed the improvements already made to mathematics and writing across the school, as well as raising the profile of books and reading, looking at spelling, compiling new assessment systems, developing personal, learning and thinking skills and enhancing learning environments.

Overall, we are pleased with the progress we are making towards our key priorities and the impact we are seeing in the classrooms. Our ultimate aim is to continue to drive up standards across the school whilst ensuring a broad and balanced curriculum offer that meets the needs and interests of everyone and keeps the children at the heart of all we do.

We continue to receive support from the Local Authority, and from Eastbrook Primary Academy, in order to bring about better outcomes for our pupils. We also commissioned a Pupil Premium review in the autumn term 2018 and underwent an external review by the Local Authority in the first half of this spring term 2019. We have already begun acting on the recommendations from both of these visits, which reflected our school's self-evaluation in terms of both strengths and areas requiring improvement. We also, of course, had a full Section 5 Ofsted Inspection on 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> February, although are strictly prohibited from being able to share the outcome of this yet.

We have high expectations of all of our staff and children and remain confident that by the end of this academic year attainment at the end of Year 6 will further increase. Our staff remains fully committed to the continuous improvement of our school and we thank them for everything they are doing.


All previous communication to parents regarding our school improvement journey is available to view via our website <http://www.summerlea.w-sussex.sch.uk> > Our School > School Improvement.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or a member of the Leadership Team. You can also email [governors@summerleaschool.co.uk](mailto:governors@summerleaschool.co.uk)

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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