



# LONDON MEED PRIMARY SCHOOL

## HONESTY CREATIVITY RESPECT CARE

4<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following our recent inspection by Ofsted London Meed has been assessed as 'Requires Improvement'. In this letter I will set out the response of the senior leadership team, the staff and governors to this disappointing outcome.

We are all committed to continuing to work tirelessly to ensure that the school continues to improve and achieves a 'Good' or better grading at the next Ofsted inspection which is likely to be within 30 months. We have already had detailed conversations with the Local Education Authority and secured additional funds to help in this work. An Action Plan is currently being devised and will be shared with you. We are also in the process of conducting a governor's review to ensure that we understand what is required to move forward and give the school the best possible chance of achieving the grading that we feel the school deserves.

We understand that parents will be disappointed with Ofsted's assessment. However, we feel it vital that you understand the context of this assessment. Ofsted's framework for assessing schools changed in May 2019 and was used for the first time from September 2019. A lot of the progress in the school was driven by the old framework. Not all of our progress was eligible for assessment under the new framework.

It is important that you are reassured that your children are being taught by a dedicated and skilled teaching staff, in a safe, supportive and enjoyable environment in which the children continue to achieve results that are continually improving and which are above the national average. The most recent results for the academic year 2018/19 for our school published by the Department of Education (which were unfortunately published too late to be taken account of by Ofsted during this inspection) show:

- Our pupils finish their Reception year achieving above national scores for a "Good Level of Development",
- The number of children who pass their phonics test at the end of Year One is above national average,
- Our pupils achieve above national average for Reading, Writing and Maths at both the end of KS1 and KS2.

These encouraging outcomes reflect all the work that is being done, and will continue to be done, within the school to continue to improve the school and the education it provides.



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On 8<sup>th</sup> October 145 parents completed the Parent View survey as part of the Ofsted inspection. We are extremely grateful for the high level of support you showed our school. Your key thoughts to highlight from this are:

- 99% said “My child is happy at this school”, an increase from 89% in 2017.
- 100% said “My child feels safe at this school”, an increase from 90% in 2017.
- 95% said “The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved”, an increase from 82% in 2017.

Your governing body includes members with children and grandchildren at London Meed. We will continue to support leaders and staff to deliver further improvements to your children’s all round education at our school.

Yours Sincerely  
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Chair of Governors



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