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Newsletter 2 **Ofsted Special!**

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Believe and Achieve

Ofsted Report

As you will be aware the school was inspected on the 24th and 25th June, before the summer break. Please find attached a copy of the report which will be published on their website at the end of this week.

If you remember the inspection was ungraded. This means that because we are deemed a "Good" school, Ofsted can carry out inspections which do not change the grading but can be used to trigger an additional inspection if they believe that standards are falling. This was not the case at Wembrook!

Ofsted reports can be very clinical and sterilised but we believe ours is strongly positive and we are extremely pleased with the final report.

Highlight quotes include:

"Wembrook is a very welcoming and ambitious school"

"Staff and pupils fully subscribe to the school's motto, Believe and Achieve"

"Pupils achieve high standards in reading, writing and mathematics"

"Staff set consistently high standards"

"Pupils behave incredibly well"

"They are polite and respectful"

"Pupils benefit from exceptional personal development opportunities"

"The curriculum is brought to life through careful considered enrichment activities"

"The school has an ambitious curriculum"

"Staff are knowledgeable"

"Reading is prioritised". "The school fosters a love of reading"

"In early years, children are taught in a nurturing environment"

"Staff expertise is well developed so that pupils with SEND are supported effectively"

"School actively encourages pupils to be responsible"

"The school actively encourages pupils to showcase their talents and interests"

"Governors know their role and responsibilities"

"Staff report their workload is very well managed and their well-being is thoroughly supported"

As you can see we are elated with their conclusions. The verbal feedback was a lot
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Ofsted Report 2025 (cont.)

more detailed and we were thrilled to hear the word “Outstanding” used on numerous occasions, although because it was ungraded the overall school grading could not be reviewed.

There were of course suggestions from Ofsted about how the school can further improve.

1 It believed that for a small number of pupils they do not hold their pencil grip correctly and the school should address this misconception. They really did struggle to find anything we should be doing better!!

2 The second area is around a number of parents who are not supporting their children in making sure that they are in school everyday. Ofsted could clearly see our extensive and detailed approaches to supporting attendance, but they were concerned that for some pupils, parents were a barrier in getting them into school.

Both areas of development will be further explored over the following months, but for those parents whose children’s attendance was less than 90% last year, you need to be aware that this year has to be significantly better.

Although Ofsted can not give opinions, I was under no illusion that they believed that the school should be **fining parents** on a more regular basis.

Finally, I would like to say a massive thank you to all the staff who deserved such a good inspection. I hope I do not need to tell you that Wembrook is a very a special place and quite rightly has a reputation as one of the best schools in Warwickshire. Based on this report, you can read that Ofsted agree.

Welcome to Wembrook

We are very pleased to welcome teachers, Miss Foggin, Mr Davies and Miss Holroyd to Wembrook. All three have previously been at Wembrook, so it is lovely to have them back.



The club newsletter will be out within the next few weeks