



## Great Creaton Primary School

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### Annual Report to the Village 2016

- 1. School Organisation:** Mrs Emma Mercer continues to be the Executive Headteacher of both Great Creaton Primary School and its federated partner school, Clipston Endowed Voluntary Controlled Primary. She works closely with other Executive Head Teachers in Northamptonshire and Rutland as well as with the network of Head Teachers from the Guilsborough Cluster. A new teacher has been appointed to Owl Class to replace Mr Newton who is leaving at the end of term to take up a post as Director of Learning at an international school in Majorca. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Louisa Smith to our staff team. Mrs Smith is an outstanding teacher, currently teaching in Bristol. She will be relocating to the area with her husband and young family. Mrs Cara Bolton will continue as the teacher in Robin Class and will become the new Assistant Head in September.
- 2. Pupils and Demographics:** The school currently has 33 pupils on roll. We are expecting our largest intake for several years of new pupils into the Early Years Foundation Stage (Reception) in September. The Linked Area for the school is the village of Creaton. Of the pupils on roll, 22 live in the village and 11 are from other villages or Northampton itself. As Creaton village begins to grow with the proposed new housing, we anticipate that this will increase the number of children living in the school's linked area.
- 3. Details of Activities:** A huge number of exciting activities in addition to the usual classroom learning have taken place this year including sport, music, trips, visits and interviews on BBC Radio. One of the highlights was the learning that has taken place in Science. We have been closely following Tim Peake's space mission and were lucky enough to receive seeds from the Space Station itself to grow in school. We continue our partnership with the Robert Smyth Academy in Market Harborough and have enjoyed visits to their science labs. We also took part in the Science Conference together with 400 pupils from schools far and near. Next year we hope to become a Science Hub which will enable us to host other local schools for science workshops. Details of all the other exciting learning opportunities the pupils experience are readily available with daily updates to see on Twitter @CreatonPrimary and on Facebook.
- 4. Plans for the future:** Between September 2016 and 2017 our school uniform will change to include a smart shirt, V-necked jumper and a tie, which will enhance the profile of the school in the community and further afield. We are delighted to have been awarded a grant of £15,000 from the Local Authority with which to refurbish the old Technology Store and upgrade it into a Dining Hall which will release the Main Hall for use at lunchtimes for sporting and other activities, well into the future. Work will begin in late May. The main hall is also used by Ducklings Pre-School which continues to thrive as part of our community on the school site, making use of our extensive and idyllic grounds.
- 5. Come and visit us!** We welcome visitors to the school as well as volunteers who are able to support the children's learning for an hour or two each week. If you would like to come and visit us during a normal working day, please ring Mrs Whitaker in the office to make an appointment to look around, meet the staff and talk to the pupils. We look forward to seeing some of you at Creaton in Bloom on the 5<sup>th</sup> June.

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