



Surprising facts about the 2017/2018 inspections

We've analysed 3734 Ofsted reports (Primary, Junior and Infant schools) from 2017/18, here's what we found:

- There was nearly a 50/50 split of full and short inspections.
- Only one school who was 'Outstanding' remained 77% of schools were 'Good' or better.

BUT...

- 96% of schools who were 'Good' either remained as such or got worse.

Click on the link below to see our infographic with the full low down including what was the most likely move for each category of school.

[Click here for 2017/2018 Inspections Infographic](#)



Ever had a parent think their child was a higher ability than you or their teacher do? Here's a 2 minute top tip that will help you move this difficult conversation on (and do forward this on to any of your team who might find it useful).

Then this top tip is going to help you avoid this in future.

[Click here for the 2 min Top Tip](#)

CELEBRATION CORNER MAT Vision



I had the pleasure of supporting a MAT develop their vision:

'Life is a journey and nobody's path is certain in this rapidly changing world. Together we are stronger...'

Read the rest of their vision by clicking on the button below:

[Click here to read the rest of their vision](#)

Did you miss Moving to Outstanding 2017?

Moving to Outstanding 2017 was a great success with feedback of 9.3/10. Six recently outstanding headteachers shared their best practice and they hit the mark. I'm making the videos available for a limited time to non-attendees, so if you'd like to hear from these heads sign up by clicking on the following button:

[Click here to access Moving to Outstanding 2017 Headteacher Speaker Videos](#)

Some help with your inspection

Are you expecting inspectors? Then how about a handy crib sheet to help you from the moment you get the call?

This comes from Paul Murphy, Headteacher at Lancasterian Primary School, Haringey, London who had their inspection in May – thank you Paul 😊
If you've not got one already then please go and download this for free:

[Click here to download the crib sheet for free](#)

I'm writing second book

I'm writing my second book, all about successful difficult conversations for school leaders. My hope is that it will help you and your team. It's going to be available in a few months and I'll keep you posted 😊

Introducing: Paul Garvey, recent Ofsted inspector (OI) and lead inspector, author of 'Taking Control - How to Prepare for Ofsted Inspection'

As this newsletter has quite an Ofsted theme to it I'd like to introduce you to my friend and colleague Paul Garvey. Paul was an inspector until very recently. He is warm, smart and practical, he's spoken at our conferences and passionate about supporting schools. And he's good at what he does- I have recommended him to a lot of schools to support them in preparing for their inspection and I get glowing feedback from them about Paul's work. He recently published his second book and if you're expecting inspectors then this is a book you'll want to read **'Taking Control: How to Prepare for your Ofsted inspection.'** Available on Amazon:

[Click here for Paul's book on Amazon](#)

We've been married a year already!

You might remember I got married last year and on the 3rd Sept, we celebrated our first anniversary. Our honeymoon was to Hawaii, which was our wedding present from our family and friends and it was utterly amazing! Volcanoes, waterfalls, sunset at 10,000 feet, tropical beaches, turtles, dolphins, whales, mantra rays, cocktails. If you're going and would like some tips on where to go I've put together a document with a lot of info on so email me and I'll send it to you.



Hanauma Bay – amazing snorkelling!

Upcoming Heads Up Events

Successful Difficult Conversations Training Day

3rd Nov & 26th Jan 2018
Friends House, Euston

[Click here for further details
on SDC training day](#)

Moving to Outstanding 2018 Flagship Event

15th June 2018
Friends House, Euston

[Click here to sign up to Priority
Tickets for M20 2018](#)

Breaking the Glass Ceiling of Good Training Day

2nd February 2018
Friends House, Euston

[Click here for further details
on BCGG training day](#)