



Barnabas Oley Annual Governors' Report to Parents

June 2012

Dear Parent,

The aim of this report is to keep you fully informed on the progress that the school has made and the academic results from the previous year (2011). The report includes Key Stage 1 ("KS1") and Key Stage 2 ("KS2") SATS results together with graphs showing how our results compare with the Cambridgeshire and National picture.

Also included in this report is information from the Parent Questionnaire conducted earlier this year.

This year has been an exciting year with the introduction of a new Headteacher – Mrs Smith and consequently lots of positive change around the school. Our new vision and values for the school was launched:



This collection of words expresses the values that we encourage in order to create a happy and successful school and thus enable our School Motto to be achieved:



The school is fortunate to have the support of so many people who given their time in different ways. We have an experienced, talented and caring team of teaching and non-teaching staff and we enjoy the support of the whole community. This year the community have helped the School build vegetable beds for each class and we have even eaten some of our produce at lunchtime.

We would like to thank:

- All the staff for their professionalism and continued commitment to the children
- Barnabas Oley PTA for their enthusiasm in delivering fun activities for both children and parents and in contributing additional funds for the school
- Barney's Club who work hard providing after school care and holiday care for our children
- All the parents and carers who give their time weekly in class and around school

We are very proud of our school. We have high standards and a strong Christian family ethos. We hope to continue to build on our success and reach our full potential as a School in the coming years.

Karen Whinney
Chair of Governors

Excellent Standards

Results at Barnabas Oley School have remained consistently high for many years and we are very proud of the achievements of all children, both past and present.

The National Picture

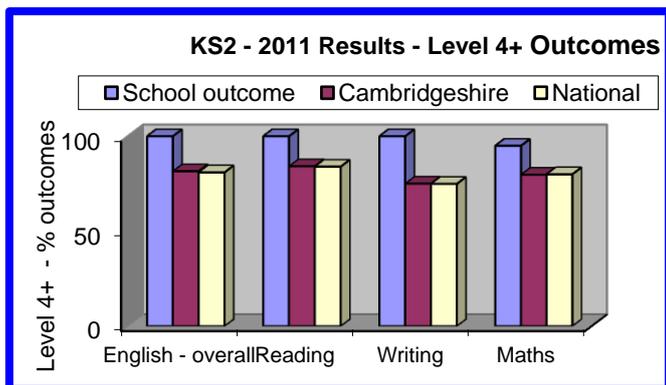
National and Local Authority data show sustained high achievement and progress at KS2 in our school. From 2007 to 2011 the attainment of pupils measured across all subjects is **significantly above the national averages**.

For achievement and progress at KS1, National and Local Authority data also shows high achievement and progress, although not as consistently as that shown in KS2. From 2007 to 2011 the attainment of pupils measured across all subjects is significantly above average for 3 of the 5 years, with the other 2 years being above the national average but not significantly so.

Our School – 2011 Results

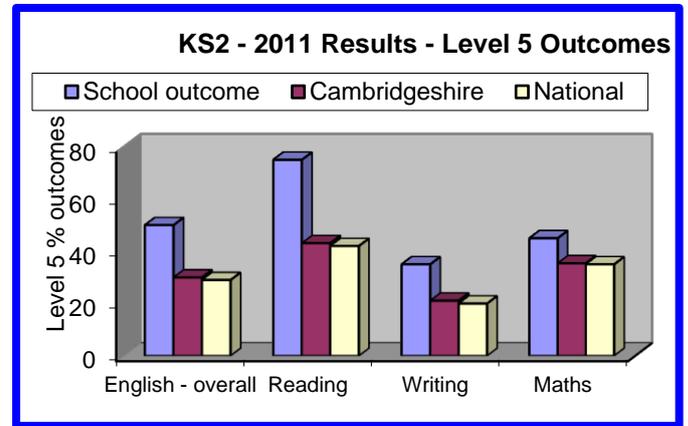
Key Stage 2

At the end of Key Stage 2 (Year 6) the children are expected to attain level 4 or above. The following two charts show the Key Stage 2 results for 2011. Please note that the cohort for this year was 20 so each child equates to 5%.



The chart above shows the children who achieved Level 4 or above and clearly shows that the school significantly exceeds Cambridgeshire and National averages.

The chart below shows the children who achieved Level 5 at Key Stage 2 and again the school exceeds Cambridgeshire and National averages, especially in reading!

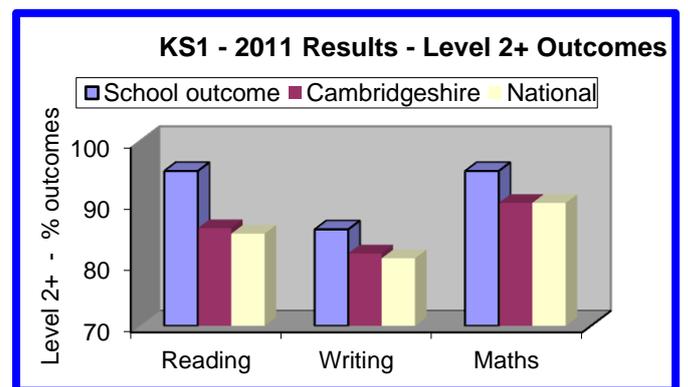


SATS Results for KS2 2011 (% of children achieving each level)

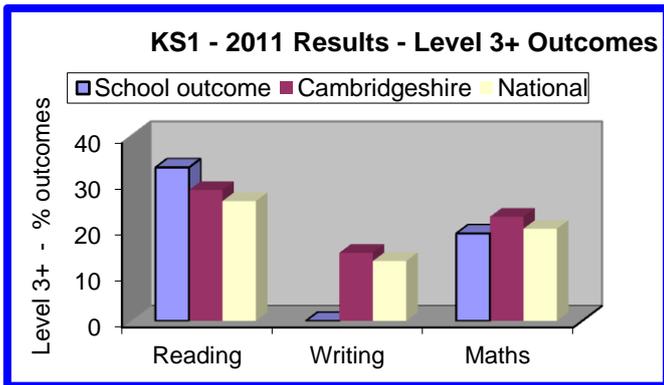
	Mathematics	English Reading	English Writing
Level 4	95%	100%	100%
Level 5	45%	75%	35%

Key Stage 1

Below are charts showing the Key Stage 1 results for 2011. At the end of Key Stage 1 (Year 2) the children are expected to attain level 2 or above. Please note that the cohort for this year was 21 so each child equates to 4.76% when looking at the results.



The chart above shows the children who achieved Level 2 or above and clearly shows that the school exceeds Cambridgeshire and National averages but only significantly so in Reading.



The chart above shows the children who achieved Level 3 at Key Stage 1. The School exceeds Cambridgeshire and National averages in Reading which is a real strength of the School; however Writing in particular is a concern. Consequently for the past two years Writing has been a Key Priority for the School.

SATS Results for KS1 2011 - (% of children achieving each level)

	Reading	Writing	Mathematics
Level 2	95.2%	85.7%	95.2%
Level 2B+	90.5%	52.4%	85.7%
Level 3+	33.3%	0%	19.0%

Targets for 2012

We have set ourselves ambitious targets for 2012 and 2013, including entering some children for Level 6 at KS2. Our results from the 2012 SATS will be analysed in detail in January 2013. We hope to report to you in 2013 with positive news.

Parent Questionnaire Feedback

The Governors would like to thank all the parents who completed the 2012 Parent Questionnaire. This was the first year that we provided the questionnaire online, and due to the positive response we will continue publishing online surveys via the school website.

The questionnaire has helped us to review our current priorities and the results have shown us how successful the changes have been with regards to homework, Golden Time, the playground and the general management of the school.

Indeed the new homework books appear to have been a great success, with many parents commenting on their children enjoying the choice of homework offered to them.

We are particularly proud that, of all the parents who responded, they agreed that the school is well led and managed and would recommend the school to other parents.

School Link with Clare College



This Founders Day we will be joined by Professor John Robertson. The annual visit of a Clare College Fellow to present the prizes and the visit of Year 6 children to the College is a reminder of how much we value the example of Revd Barnabas Oley and our continuing links with Clare College.

Links continue with past pupils too – with many past pupils who have gone on to University being awarded an Oley Book Grant and there are two ex-pupils who are actually studying at Clare. Clare College is open most days to walk through if you are in Cambridge – at the edge of Queens’ Road you can still see the mounting block where Barnabas Oley would have set off to ride out to Great Gransden!

School Website

We have worked hard this year updating our school website. The Governors section of the website shows “Who We Are” and provides details of our Governor Visit Reports and Minutes of Governor Meetings.

Please take some time to look at the website, there is a lot of useful information on there and we are always keen to hear any comments from you via the Contact Us or the Guest Book options (within the Virtual Office section) of the website.