



## Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) Report

<b>Canon Sharples C of E Primary School and Nursery</b>	Whelley Wigan WN2 1BP
<b>Current SIAMS inspection grade</b>	<b>Outstanding</b>
<b>Diocese</b>	<b>Liverpool</b>
Previous SIAMS inspection grade:	<b>N/A</b>
Local authority	Wigan
Name of multi-academy trust/ federation	Learning Together Trust
Date of inspection	10 November 2016
Date of last inspection	N/A
School's unique reference number	3592005
Headteacher	Jennifer Woodcock
Inspector's name and number	Jean Forward 625

### School context

Canon Sharples C of E Primary School and Nursery became an academy in July 2015 as a partner school with St. Wilfrid's C of E Primary School in the *Learning Together Trust*. This is under the joint sponsorship of the dioceses of Blackburn and Liverpool. The headteacher took up her appointment in September 2015.

The percentage of pupils known to be eligible for pupil premium funding is well above the national average. The number of pupils identified as having additional needs is also above the national average. The school's deprivation indicator has increased with more children coming from hard-pressed families. Most pupils are White British. However, some families are from a non-Christian faith background. At the end of Year 6 in 2016, pupils reached the government floor standard for progress.

### The distinctiveness and effectiveness of Canon Sharples Primary School and Nursery as a Church of England school are outstanding

- The outstanding Christian leadership of the headteacher and executive headteacher and their vision for the development of the school ensure that the school's Christian ethos is at the heart of daily life.
- The school is extremely successful in creating a loving, caring and inclusive environment rooted in Christian values. This has a direct influence on pupils' well-being, progress and enjoyment in learning.
- The children's behaviour, care for each other and positive attitudes to learning are rooted in the school's core Christian values.
- The governing body provides outstanding support and challenge through commitment and expertise. This results in strong Christian leadership and strategic self-evaluation of church school distinctiveness.

### Areas to improve

- Further develop the whole school tracking system for assessment in Religious Education (RE). This will ensure that pupils' attainment and progress are consistently and accurately reviewed.
- Extend the evaluation of collective worship to provide more frequent information about its effect on all members of the school family. This will support continuous improvement.