

Schools are inspected:

- If they are new
- If they were previously grade 3 or grade 4
- If risk assessment suggests their performance is falling

'Every child deserves a GOOD school.'

Grade 1: outstanding

- No further inspection scheduled
- Likely to be asked to support weaker schools nationally or to take them on as new academies
- May become a 'teaching school'

Grade 2: good

- No further inspection scheduled
- Likely to be asked to provide some support to weaker local schools
- Can opt out of local authority control and become an academy
- May ask for an extra inspection

Grade 3: requires improvement

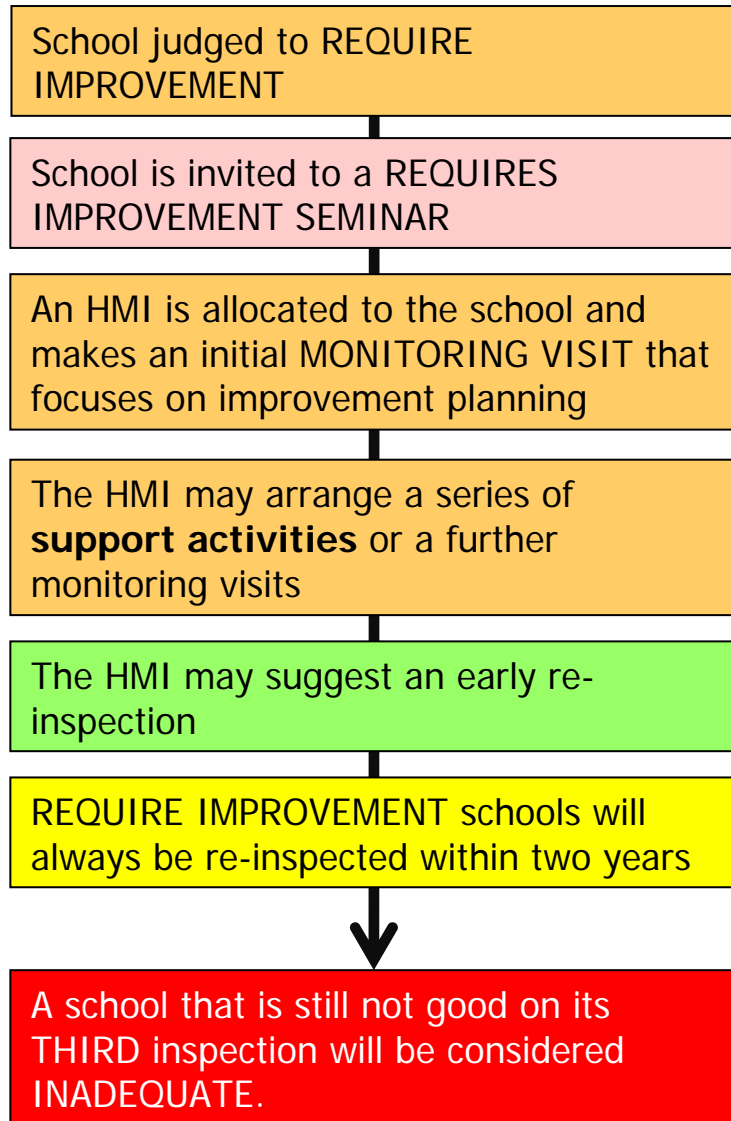
- Invited to seminar and workshop
- Visited by inspector within a few weeks to discuss plans
- Inspector will discuss package of possible support measures
- Will be re-inspected after a year
- If found to be Grade 3 three times, then this is evidence that leadership is inadequate

Grade 4: inadequate

- Can be placed into SPECIAL MEASURES
- Ofsted will visit each term and report on progress until school is found to be at least grade 3
- Local authority can act to change the governors
- Governors can act to change the headteacher
- Government encourages these schools to partner with outstanding schools and to close and re-open as academies.

Government strategy is for **weaker schools to be supported by stronger schools** on their improvement.

What happens to schools that 'require improvement'?



What is happening...and what do schools think of it?

