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'?



School judged to REQUIRE IMPROVEMENT

School is invited to a REQUIRES IMPROVEMENT SEMINAR

An HMI is allocated to the school and makes an initial MONITORING VISIT that focuses on improvement planning

The HMI may arrange a series of **support activities** or a further monitoring visits

The HMI may suggest an early reinspection

REQUIRE IMPROVEMENT schools will always be re-inspected within two years

A school that is still not good on its THIRD inspection will be considered INADEQUATE.

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

