

## GOVERNORS NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2020

Dear Parents/Carers, Pupils and Staff,

I hope I find you safe and well.

This term we say goodbye to our Local Authority Governor Bob Franklin and thank him for his contribution and the time he has given to our school over the years.

A very warm welcome to our new parent governor, Mr Alan Clark, and we very much look forward to working with you.

This continues to be a very odd, stressful and challenging time for everyone. Not only have you parents had to immediately become teachers, children have missed some of their school friends and usual school routines, all staff in the school have had to respond to what can only be called an extremely challenging COVID-19 situation. They have been supporting all our children as well as ensuring their learning continues either at home or in school. Then when school fully opened, the safety and well-being of all the children was one of the highest priorities. None of this has been made any easier for our staff due to government guidelines chopping and changing with very little notice. I can only say that all our staff rose to the challenge and continue to do so. How lucky we are to have such dedicated and committed staff!

As governors we pursue our governor training and carry out school business via virtual Zoom or Teams Meetings in order to support our amazing school and to ensure all strategic statutory duties are carried out.

As the school term draws to an end and Christmas gets closer, governors would like to say a 'Thank You' to parents, carers and pupils for your patience and understanding. A massive 'Thank You' to all our wonderful staff and a particular "Thank You" to Miss Cripps who has had to start her headship with us during these very difficult and turbulent times.

On behalf of all Governors have a Happy Christmas and we look forward to our new school term in January 2021.

Stay safe and well.

Best wishes

Lyndsay McLees

Chair of Governors

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