

Newsletter from the Chair of Governors

Hello everyone!

Well, we're nearly at the end of term and the end of this school year. We have to say a sad farewell to 3 of our Governors. Firstly, Rev Roy Anetts, who has been on the Church and Community committee and played a very important role in linking our school and church. He will be remembered for his engaging enthusiasm, his humour and his calm wisdom. Secondly, we say goodbye to Philippe Kitchin, who has been a focused, clear-sighted member of the Finance Committee, with particular responsibility for Health and Safety and for working on the Vision and Strategy document for Governors and the Risk Register. Thirdly, we say goodbye to Fiona Taylor, a Co-opted governor who has been on the Governing Board for longer than anyone! Fiona has supported the governors with her experience and good humour and will be very much missed.

We have welcomed new governors too: Sam Varty as a parent governor on the Church and Community committee and Neil Pilling on the Finance committee. They are both very keen to contribute and show great capability in their roles.

However, we do need new governors so please consider if you would like to join us or if you know anyone who is not a parent here who would be interested.

A particular focus for us this term has been Personal Development and how the school encourages independence, resilience and confidence. Governors have been in to see subject leaders to understand how they incorporate these into lessons and then feed back to the whole Governing Board so we can have an oversight of school practices. It is clear from the governors' reports that our teachers do this really well and it greatly benefits the pupils' personal development.

Finally, I'd like to wish you all a great, fun-filled, safe summer holiday!

Silvana Hewitt (Chair of Governors)