



# GOVERNOR'S GAZETTE

AUTUMN 2019

Dear Moss Lane Families,



Firstly, I'd like to introduce myself, my name is Adam Boshoff and, following 3 years as a parent governor at Moss Lane, I have just been appointed as Chair of the Governing Board. My youngest daughter follows in her sister's footsteps, having just starting at Moss Lane this September. This will continue to award me the opportunity to see the school from the perspective of a parent as well as a governor.

A big welcome to all the new reception children, parents and carers, I sincerely hope you enjoy and embrace your time in the Moss Lane School community. It would certainly seem that children throughout the school, including our 'Bears', have settled in well so far.

## What have we done this term?

The Governing body met earlier in the term and, as protocol dictates, appointments for the coming year were made, including the creation of an additional vice chair role. Congratulations to Elaine Joyce and Carol Edmans on their vice chair appointments. In addition, the School Development Plan has been ratified, providing both the school and Governors with a directive for the current 2019/20 year and beyond. Governors continue to carry out their monitoring responsibilities, including regular school visits to see & speak with both the staff and children and to see the different aspects of school life during the working day.

**Finance & Premises:** In the summer term 2019, the Governing body decided to commit the capital budget, allocated specifically for building projects, to create an additional learning space. This will provide a space for group teaching and also meetings with parents and other visiting professionals. At the moment the library or ICT room have to 'double up' for these to happen and can often limit the time these rooms are available for children to use. We are delighted to advise that the building work will take place over the Autumn half term.



**Forthcoming Governor meetings:** The Governing Board have two further meetings in the Autumn Term - 6<sup>th</sup> November (*Children & Learning*) and 4<sup>th</sup> December (*Resources & Premises*)



### **CONTACT US:**

If you wish to contact a governor about anything you can leave a letter in the school office or email the chair of governors [a.boshoff@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:a.boshoff@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk) or vice chairs [e.joyce@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:e.joyce@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk) and [c.edmans@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:c.edmans@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk) or Pam Langridge, Clerk to the Governing Board, [clerk@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:clerk@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk)

### **ARE YOU CONSIDERING BECOMING A PARENT GOVERNOR?**

A Parent Governor vacancy has arisen and we would be more than happy to have a chat and explain the role to you.

### **WHO ARE WE:**

- **Adam Boshoff** Co-opted community Governor [*Chair, Leads on school leadership*]
- **Elaine Joyce** Co-opted community Governor [*Vice-chair, Leads on Godalming Learning Partnership liaison*]
- **Carol Edmans** Foundation Governor [*Vice-chair, Leads on Community & Communication*]
- **Victoria Abbott** Headteacher, [*Leads on school/governor liaison*]
- **Andrew Turner** Co-opted community Governor [*Leads on Children's Progress & Attainment*]
- **Aaron Twaits** Parent Governor [*Leads on Finance/Resources*]
- **Steve Turnbull** Co-opted community Governor [*Leads on Safeguarding*]
- **Nicola Riley** Local Authority Governor [*Leads on Curriculum & Enrichment*]
- **James Bingham** Parent Governor [*Leads on Curriculum & Enrichment*]
- **Laura Edmonds** Staff Governor [*Leads on Premises, H&S*]
- **Vacancy** Parent Governor [*Leads on Staff & Pupil Well-being*]

I hope you all enjoy the Harvest Festival and a well-earned half term break.

**Adam Boshoff**

(Chair of Governors)