



Barford St Peter's

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Governors' Newsletter to Parents December 2019

WELCOME

A warm welcome to parents whose children joined our school in September - we aim to keep parents informed of the Governors' work through this termly newsletter. It has been a busy and very enjoyable term and we have managed to visit school on numerous occasions to see children's work, look at books and most importantly talk to the children about lessons and what they enjoy about school. In our more formal role, we have attended two meetings of the full Board of Governors, plus one meeting each of the Finance and Resources, Performance and Standards and Collective Worship.

GOVERNOR MONITORING WEEK

During our termly 'Governor Monitoring Week', we met with subject leaders in Literacy, Mrs Stock and Maths, Mrs Garner. We also met with Mrs Steward the Inclusion Manager and Wendy Barlow spent time observing in the Early Years. We discussed extended writing, which was one of our Ofsted Targets and looked at how multiplication is taught in readiness for the Year 4 test in the summer term.

GOVERNOR FEEDBACK

"The Year 5 Assembly provided an excellent illustration of the school's focus on Quality of Education, providing an opportunity for all Year 5 children to learn about aspects of Mexico's history, geography and culture. At the same time it gave plenty of scope for them to develop more confidence in presenting to an audience through singing, dancing and speech". (Jenny Hocking)

"Year 5 gave a wonderful assembly this morning, to which parents and governors were invited. The whole class was fully involved in a fun, informative and varied assembly show casing what they had learned about Mexico this term.

If you would like to contact the Governors for any reason there names are below and an appointment can be made through the school office.

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY

Barbara Williams-Cooke	Chair of Governors
Annette Delaney	Head Teacher
Mrs Ann Fawcett	Foundation Governor
Mrs Jenny Hocking	Foundation Governor
Mrs Madeleine Garner	Teacher Governor
Mrs Samantha Forrest	Parent Governor
Chris Harris	LEA Governor
Alison Gadsden	Foundation Governor
David Maceluch	Clerk
Wendy Barlow	Foundation Governor
Jane Hinde	Foundation Governor

Do you know anyone who would be interested in becoming a governor?

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor.

"The leadership team has maintained the good quality of education in the school since the last inspection. Yours is a school with a very clear culture and ethos. You have high expectations of pupils, of their attendance, their conduct and their work ethic. Pupils rise to these high expectations. The school is very much part of, and serves, its local community, with close links to village organisations and the parish church"
(HMI Short Inspection February 2019)

If you have a passion for improving the life chances of children and can offer supportive challenge to the leadership of our school to help us to fulfil our vision, please contact the school to arrange a meeting and informal discussion with the Head teacher and Chair of Governors, and join the Board.

SAFEGUARDING

Governors must ensure that the school fulfils this duty of care through its policies and protocols and above all, training for staff. This is tested annually through the Warwickshire Safeguarding Children Board audit, which must be completed in September each year. Two governors, Ann Fawcett and Barbara Williams-Cooke work on this with Mrs Delaney. It does take a long time but provides the staff and governors with an opportunity to have an in-depth focus. It also confirms that we fulfil all the necessary requirements. In addition, all staff, and several governors will be attending the school safeguarding INSET on February 14th. We take our responsibilities seriously!

OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

The Headteacher and Governors are responsible for ensuring that all the required policies are on the school website, and are regularly updated. Jenny Hocking one of our Foundation Governors does an amazing job and keeps us all up to date. We would like express our deepest thanks to Jenny!

SIAMS

The Collective Worship Committee have been working with staff and pupils to prepare for the forthcoming **SIAMS inspection**. The principal objective of **SIAMS** is to evaluate the distinctiveness and effectiveness of the school as a church school.

And finally...

Congratulations to the Parents Association FAB's for the wonderful Christmas Fair. They have had an amazing first term as the new FABs team!