



# Wychbold First and Nursery School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Governor Newsletter

On behalf of the governors I should like to welcome all the new families and staff who have just started at our school. I hope you will all find your partnership with the school to be a long and happy one.

The inside of the school buildings looks wonderful. The staff have worked very hard over the summer establishing all the new classrooms and the new nursery building. I hope that all your children are enjoying settling into their 'new' rooms.

At the Governing Body AGM this week we said good-bye and thank you to Mr Ed Webb who has been a member of the governing body for the last nine years. We are very grateful for all that Mr Webb has done for us and wish him well for the future. We also said good bye in July to Mr Andy Shaw who was first a parent governor and latterly a community governor. We appreciate his long service with us and all his support for the school. Thank you to both these governors. We are very pleased that Mr Peter Fisher who joined us last year as an associate governor has now agreed to be our new community governor.

Our school attendance target for this year is 96%. This is the same as last year. Unfortunately last year we did not achieve our target. This was mostly due to bouts of illness, particularly chickenpox and sickness. In fact, only 56% of our children actually achieved the target of 96%. I hope we will be more fortunate this year! Thank you very much for supporting the school attendance policy and not taking children out of school for holidays in term time. It is really important that children attend school as regularly as possible so that they can make the most of every opportunity the school offers.

This year looks to be full of interesting possibilities for our school. We are gradually growing in size and now have a separate class for every year group. The governors are still engaging in talks with other local schools about working together more closely and I will keep you informed of any developments. We are also hoping that the improvement of our school grounds can be a focus in the coming year. However at the moment we are still plagued by moles on our playing field! If anyone has any ideas for how we can get them moved away we should be very grateful! Our success in this area to date has been very limited!

In the meantime I should like to wish all families and staff a successful year in school.

With best wishes

*Eleanor Sinton*

Eleanor Sinton (Mrs)  
Chair of Governors

