

HANGING HEATON CE (VC) JUNIOR AND INFANT SCHOOL

GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE CHAIR

Firstly, allow me to introduce myself. My name is Rebecca Beaumont (Becki). I joined the Governing Body and was elected Chair in February. I am a Local Authority elected Governor, and have worked as a school governor for the past 6 years. I continue to serve as Vice-Chair and Chair of Finance of another Governing body.

I have a passion for education and I believe that every child deserves the best.

WHAT IS A SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY?

School governing bodies have responsibility for raising school standards through their three key roles: setting strategic direction, ensuring accountability and acting as a critical friend. School governors are volunteers all of whom seek to promote the highest standards of education and welfare for the children by: monitoring the school's progress, setting annual performance targets, monitoring school finance and a host of other roles.

YOUR GOVERNING BODY is a group of 12 people, comprising parents, members of the community, church members, Local Authority elected members and school staff.

The full Governing body meets once per term, as do the two main committees; Resources, where the school budget is discussed, and Standards and Effectiveness, where attainment and progress of pupils is discussed.

If you have any concerns or compliments about school please don't hesitate to contact a member of the governing body. I can be contacted through the school office

WHAT THE GOVERNING BODY DID LAST TERM

In the spring term, members of the governing body visited the school:

Mrs Exley reviewed the Single Central Record and the gifted and talented provision in Class 5

Mrs Beaumont evaluated reading monitoring and maths

Mrs Lister visited School to look at Class 4 marking

Mr Jagger made a Health and Safety visit, and performed a walk around of the School
Mrs McDonald examined maths and visited Class 2

Mrs Beaumont, Mrs McDonald and Mrs Exley attended parents evening to distribute questionnaires.

We also undertook various training courses including, safeguarding, managing the budget, SAIMS training and Governor Dashboard training.

There was a full governing body meeting in March, where we discussed the school development plan, progress of pupils, the possibility of setting up a breakfast club and the new curriculum.

Also in March the Resources Committee met to discuss the budget, pupil premium, and to discuss the purchase of the canopy. The Standards and Effectiveness committee met to discuss pupil progress

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