

# Governor Newsletter Summer 2023



## WELCOME TO THE GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER FOR SUMMER 2023

We can hardly believe how quickly this year has gone as we race towards the end of term, but there are so many exciting activities and events going on at school for everyone to enjoy and that always makes the summer term really special. The governors would like to thank you all for your continued support and we'd also like to thank Mrs Pass, the senior leadership team and all the staff who work so hard for our children throughout the year.

The year has been incredibly busy and it has been a real pleasure to share in the successes and achievements not only of all our children, but also the school as a whole. The Ofsted inspector described leaders as 'relentless in their drive to improve the quality of education', and governors are privileged to be able to see this first hand every time we visit the school and it is evidenced in the fantastic assessment results that have been achieved.

We say goodbye to our awesome year two children who are moving on to the next stage of their educational journey and wish them well, but we are also looking forward to welcoming our new reception children and their families when they start school in September.

We hope you have an enjoyable and relaxing summer break and look forward to seeing you in September.

#### WHO ARE WE?

Parent Governors Gemma Clatworthy Nicola Goldberg

#### **Co-Opted Governors**

Michelle McDermitt – Chair Kathryn Lancaster – Vice Chair Christine Hodkinson

> Local Authority Vacant

**Staff** Alison Pass – Headteacher Emily Smith

## THINGS WE HAVE RECENTLY BEEN DISCUSSING

- Governors continue to monitor progress towards the school improvement priorities and have spent lots of time in school talking to staff and children about what is working well and where there are further opportunities to improve.
- We have reviewed the year end financial reports to ensure that public funds are well spent and achieve best value.
- In the summer term some of our time has been spent setting out the new strategic priorities for the coming year and these have now been agreed.
- Some of us were able to come along to the fete and had a great time, despite the weather!
- WE ARE RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS! If you, or someone you know, would like to join our governing board to help support our children on their educational journey, we'd love to hear from you. Please see the attached flyer for full details.



We are looking to appoint co-opted volunteers to our friendly and inclusive governing body to help shape the future of Wootton Bassett Infants' School. Governors play a vital role supporting the headteacher and senior leadership team in the strategic development and success of the school. It is an interesting and varied role offering opportunities to meet new people, gain new skills and make a real difference to our children as they embark on their educational journey.

Perhaps you are an ex-pupil that wants to give something back to the school, or maybe you are interested in learning more about how schools work. Whatever your motivation, being a governor is an enjoyable and rewarding experience and full training is provided to help you settle in to your new role. We meet six times a year, usually in the evening and visits to school are encouraged.

# Take a look at our website

woottonbassett-inf.wilts.sch.uk

We welcome applications from all backgrounds and you don't need to be an expert in education, in fact we'd love to hear from you if you have other skills and experience such as HR, marketing, strategy and health & safety.

Please contact clerk@woottonbassett-inf.wilts.sch.uk or call 01793 852254 for more information

