

## Update from the Governing Board 13.10.23

The new Governing Board met for the first time on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October, it was lovely to meet the new Parent Governors and the new Staff Governor. Governors offer strategic guidance to a school, and are responsible for ensuring that a school meets all its statutory responsibilities, for example, Health and Safety, Safeguarding and sound financial management. We are involved in the allocation of the school budget and the recruitment of staff.

We also try to spend as much time as possible in school, with opportunities for us to see teaching and learning in action. We have two main committees, a Standards committee which analyses the school's performance data, sets ambitious targets in the School Development Plan and is kept informed about developments with the school curriculum. We monitor and evaluate the evidence we see, and use it to hold the school leadership to account and support them as much as we can. Our Resources and Environment Committee has a wide brief, evaluating financial management and ensuring the premises are safe and meet the needs of the school. We are always happy to talk to parents about our role and help with questions where we can.

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Chair of Governors