

Update from the Governing Board 24.10.24

The new Governing Board met for the first time on Wednesday 9th October; it was lovely to welcome the new Parent Governor, Helene Betts and Foundation Governor, Charlotte Oles. At the end of the last academic year, two longstanding Governors, Phineas Winterbottom and Victoria Fitzpatrick resigned. Our Foundation Governors on the Dovestone Learning Partnership board are now Sarah Southern and Charlotte Oles and Scott Swaby has been appointed Vice Chair of the Governing Board.

We 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: the first is a Standards Committee which analyses the school's performance data and sets ambitious targets leading to the School Development Plan. We are kept well informed about the school curriculum, with different members of staff attending full Governing Board meetings to let us know about developments in their subject areas. 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. The second Committee, Resources and Environment, has a wide brief, evaluating financial management and ensuring the premises are safe and meet the needs of the school.

As Governors, we are always very happy to speak to parents about their concerns, and many of us can be seen in the school playground before and after school, if you want to talk to us about anything.

Jane Goodwin Chair of Governors