

Great Whelnetham
Church of England Primary School
'By growing together, we become the best we can be'



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Dear Parent / Carer,

News from Your Governing Body.

Well - we have certainly had an eventful term and I think I can safely say that everyone will be looking forward to a chance to rest and recuperate during the Easter holidays.

As you will appreciate Governors have been busy during this half-term reviewing progress within the school and working with staff to ensure that the children are receiving the quality of education that they deserve and to respond to points raised within the Ofsted report. If anyone has any specific questions that they would like to ask in respect to actions being taken following the Ofsted inspection, please contact Mr. Page in the first instance who will be able to assist you. There have also been some changes to the governing body; we have welcomed Mr. Page in his role as Interim Headteacher, but Mr. Steven Hayes has stepped down from his role as co-opted governor due to work pressures. I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank Mr. Hayes, on behalf of the Governing Body for his time and input into the school and to send him all best wishes for the future.

Over the next little while you will see more information being added to the school website regarding the individual governors and also the roles of the various committees but in the meantime please find below a few words from some of the committee chairs regarding the work of their committees.

Message from Mr. Paul Kirkwood, Teaching, Learning and Achievement Committee Chair:
Well, further to the recent Ofsted Report a huge amount of effort and energy has been focused on developing and immediately executing a School Action Plan. This has already led to immediate impact and progress across all aspects of teaching, learning and achievement. All staff and indeed Governors are galvanised as one team in this endeavour and are really pulling out all the stops to directly address the key findings in the Ofsted Report, so that our children can really benefit through excellent education.

Message from Mr. Jeremy Cladd, Finance and Personnel Committee Chair:
The school has been working hard over recent weeks formulating the budget for the next financial year (exciting stuff!) which has been a challenge in itself however none the less important. The governors are pleased to report that whilst there are some challenges the school has everything in hand. Governors would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Kimber for all her hard work on the budget and keeping us on the straight and narrow!

With best wishes for a very enjoyable Easter break,

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. Kim Palmer, MSc, Chair of Governors.

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