



GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER

Happiness at the heart, shaping children of the future

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The Governing Body

The Governing Body are the strategic leaders of our school and have a vital role to play in making sure every child gets the best possible education.



Julie Thompson
Chairperson



Michael Leadbetter
Vice-Chairperson



Sarah White
Headteacher



Kathryn Ellidge



Jayne Dawson



Lauren Johnston

Our Governing Body aims to be challenging and supportive of the school and Headteacher.



Spring Term meeting dates

- 26th January 2021

Resources & Standards and Effectiveness Committee (SEC)

- 9th March 2021

Full Governing Body (FGB)



Snapshots of Autumn Term 2020



Congratulations to Miss Johnston on her promotion within our school!

Following the appointment of Lauren Johnston as Deputy Head teacher, she will now step down as staff governor and become an observer.

The post of Staff Governor has been forwarded to staff and we look forward to welcoming a new member of the governing body in January 2021.



For the past 10 months, Mr Sam Parker has been our Acting Chair of Governors. He has offered incredible support and guidance to the Headteacher and staff throughout these uncertain times. As of Friday 18th December, with a heavy heart, he will be stepping down. We are truly thankful and wish him all the best for the future. He kindly wrote the following to the governing body:

"I have met some wonderful people and being able to appoint Miss Johnston was the pinnacle of being Acting Chair of Governors.

I wish Coates Lane Primary School all the best in the future and on a personal level, wish for all the best for you, Mrs White. It has been a pleasure to work alongside you as a governor and seeing the warmth you have towards your staff and children has been nothing short of inspiring."

After 24 wonderful years of having Mrs Thompson at the helm of Coates Lane Primary school, the time has come to wish her health and happiness as she retires at the end of this term. Also known as the Duchess, she has played such an integral role in our school and we are thrilled to announce that she has been elected as our new Chair of Governors.



So, it's a goodbye for now and we are as excited as she is about her new role, within the Governing Body.

We are also delighted to welcome Mrs Francis into the role of bursar in January.



We, as the Governing Body, would like to take this opportunity to thank our staff and school community. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for your support, patience and understanding throughout Covid-19. At the heart of everything our staff do, the children's happiness and safety are paramount. The children have truly thrived since returning from so many months in lockdown and we can't wait to see what they achieve in the spring and summer terms. Despite the overwhelming negativity in the world at the moment, our Coates Lane community have remained positive, steadfast and resilient. We were delighted to see the children laugh and play within their bubbles, especially within the Class R Nativity and Rockin' Robin performance from across the school. If you haven't already, please check out these links! They are certain to put a smile on your face.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Class R Nativity

https://m.youtube.com/watch?fbclid=IwAR3MR7g8QlJNQFVWnkEIMFkSruanJ8gu8JDFAEhYSVdB8rSSCNq_hZYmtE&v=6O-i1Ss_yS4&feature=youtu.be

Rockin' Robin Merry Christmas from Coates Lane Primary School! - YouTube



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