



# Baydon St Nicholas Governors Newsletter

Welcome to the Governors newsletter giving you a flavour of some of the work we are doing on behalf of our school

## Our focus for the next academic year.

In October each year the governors hold an extended workshop during which we explore ideas for growth and development within the school. This year we have decided the focus will be **Teaching and Learning**. This is a broad remit and offers great scope for close involvement of the governors with pupil attainment, classroom visits and curriculum development. Our mission statement: "Baydon St Nicholas Governing body has high standards. We actively support, and challenge, recognize and celebrate achievements and aim to be an "Outstanding" school providing care and learning for all our pupils. We approach all our commitments from framework of family and faith."

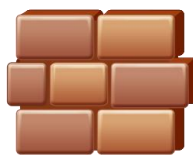
## Keeping in touch



The usual methods of communication are in place; your child's class teacher is as always the first port of call. You can see those Governors with children around the school; remember Dan Crawley and Harriet Knowles are your Parent Governors with specific responsibility for representing your views to the Governing Board and also that Denise Mathewson, our Chair can be contacted via the school office.

## Bricks of Knowledge

We hope you have visited the completed **Bricks Of Knowledge** filled with our pupils names past and present and inspirational comments. Thanks to all who contributed.



## Ofsted Update

We are very pleased to be able to inform you that due to the continued excellence of our staff and pupils, Ofsted have elected not to re inspect our school until later next year! This demonstrates the hard work and dedication of staff both with the children and behind the scenes and we have extended congratulations to Mr. Chambers and all the staff on your behalf.



## Crossing Patrol.

The Governors have secured funding for six months for a crossing patrol across Ermin Street. This is a pilot project for four days a week and she will be in close liaison with the us in order to assess the how useful this post may be in calming the traffic and enabling safe passage for the children crossing the road.

It of course remains the parents/carers responsibility to see their children into the classroom each day. This is a new innovation for this school and has the potential to great asset.

We welcome your feedback as the project



### School Dinners...

We are developing a really positive relationship with Sodexo and meet regularly with them to discuss menu options, themed weeks such as our popular global awareness week and our most recent initiative to provide a series of open community lunches. Things are always evolving here and we welcome any new ideas you may have....



We hope you will recognize this logo and have enjoyed sharing these great books with your children. Governors were pleased to donate a copy to each child in the school to promote an age appropriate sense of reflection over Lent. If you did not manage to complete them or they are lost under a pile of washing or the depths of a school bag do search them out, they are a lot of fun!!

### Hellos and Goodbyes

Since our last Newsletter we have welcomed and bid farewell to many governors  
Welcoming,  
Amanda Osborne.  
Jackie Hollander  
Tom McGowan  
Emma Gilbert  
Barbara Furber  
Laurien Carter (Clerk)

Leaving us, Sue Harris (now Associate Gov. to Wagtails)  
Claire Herring (clerk).  
Brian Harber And our special thanks go to Enid Johnson for her long standing service and past chairmanship.

### Vacancies

#### We need you!

2 foundation governors  
Come and talk to us if you are interested

### Building For The Future: Our Dream come true.

Since our last newsletter our exciting new building project has become a dream come true! We had the new school opening last year and what an amazing achievement for school and the village! It continues to be a well-loved learning facility and the children's pride shows through in the respect they show the building. Some of our school rooms are available for individual and group hire, if you are interested approach the school office for more details. Special thanks to Allison Dobson who has supported us throughout with her professional expertise as an associate governor- we have already called on her help again as we develop Robins classroom! We extend enormous thanks to you all and especially the ongoing support of the Friends of Baydon School, Brian Harber for his unceasing enthusiasm and Enid Johnson as chair of the hardworking fundraising committee.