



NEWS FROM KINGSHILL GOVERNORS

Hello from Anthony

As you will have read in the newsletter, I have now taken over from Andrew Owen as Chair of the LGB (Local Governing Board). For those who don't know me, I'm an IT professional working in Bristol and a parent of William in year 4 and Ollie in year 2.

On behalf of the governors and staff, can I take this opportunity to thank Andrew for his time, support and guidance over the past two years in helping the school through some challenging times when we first became an academy, to where we are today as a 'Good' school. Not only has Andrew helped build the LGB but he's also provided both challenge and support to the Multi-Academy Trust (MAT) through their own early developments.

I feel fortunate in taking over at this time, knowing that under Mrs. Thomson's outstanding leadership, we can build on the solid foundations we have in place and get Kingshill flying even higher. As a parent I know the journey we've been on, so can I thank the teachers, staff and children for all their hard work and the parents for your continued support of the school.

If you have any questions about the role of the governors or the strategic direction of the school, then feel free to drop me an email at anthony.fletcher-rogers@kingshillbwmat.org, and may I wish everyone a Happy Easter.



Anthony Fletcher Rogers

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO SO FAR THIS YEAR

- Transition to a new Chair, Vice-Chair and Safeguarding governor
- Hired a new clerk to assist the governors with the running of the LGB
- Had a full LGB meeting
- Had meetings of our three committees, Teaching & Learning, Finance, Premises & Personnel and Ethos
- Had special training sessions to prepare the governors for Ofsted
- Authorised the schools new Admissions Policy for 2016/17
- The Chair attended the MAT LGB Chairs' Meeting
- The governors met with the Ofsted inspector (see Lisa Prescott's report below)

Governors' Ofsted Interview

During the schools recent two day Ofsted visit the inspector, Mr Baxter, interviewed a team of three Governors. In this meeting we were joined by Pete Mountstephen, MAT CEO and Philip Bowditch, MAT Director of Learning & Achievement.

We were asked a wide variety of challenging questions to determine our deeper understanding of the school, as Governors it is our responsibility to ensure we provide challenge as routine, both in meetings and in all areas of school life as and when needed. Mr Baxter was looking to ensure that we had strong knowledge of the school's ethos, that we were secure with the key priorities and areas for development, and that we were committed to our continuous improvement through training, we were also asked to evidence the impact that the Local Governing Board has here at Kingshill Church School.

Questions asked included: How does the school allocate and spend Pupil Premium money and how can we be certain of its benefits and impact? How do the governors meet their safeguarding responsibilities? How do governors monitor teaching and learning in the school?

This was a fantastic opportunity for us to speak about our wonderful school and its many strengths. We were extremely proud to represent the school on this important occasion. Well done to all the children and staff for your hard work and commitment in securing a 'GOOD' with 'OUTSTANDING' features.

MEET OUR GOVERNORS



Liz Everitt (MAT appointed governor)

I have lived in Nailsea for 22 years and am a MAT appointed governor. With a background in primary school teaching I serve on the Teaching and Learning Committee. I am also chair of the Ethos Committee being a member of Christ Church and one of the Churchwardens there.



Rachel Richter (Clerk)

"Before having children I worked on the Children of the 90's study at Bristol University. I am now happy to be joining Kingshill as Clerk to the Governors while enjoying being a full time mum to Jack (5) and Danny (3)."

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