



The Avenue Infant School
GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER

2020-2021

6th November 2020

Welcome to our first newsletter,

It is an aim of the Governing Body to improve communication and links between governors, staff, parents/carers and children, hopefully this newsletter will form part of achieving this. Firstly, I would like to welcome new staff, parents/carers and children to the school and hope you have an enjoyable and positive experience during your time at The Avenue Infant School.

Covid 19 has changed the landscape in the school and the ever changing guidelines have led to an enormous amount of additional work for the staff and as a Governing Body we would like to thank each and every one of them for the extra work they've put in to ensure we have a safe and secure learning environment, along with that our thanks go to all the parents/carers and children that have been so accommodating in these very trying times.

We have had our first Full Governing Body meeting of the year at which the Chair and Vice Chair were elected, we've also allocated individual governors that will sit on the various committees who are responsible for overseeing and monitoring the specific objectives on the School Development Plan.

We currently have two parent Governor vacancies on the Governing body for which we will shortly be holding an election. A well performing Governing body needs its members to have a wide variety of skills and I would encourage everyone to consider this opportunity to help mould this fantastic School and the children it supports.

Stewart Miller, Chair of Governors

WHO ARE THE GOVERNORS?

Stewart Miller	Chair of Governors
Emma Russell	Vice Chair of Governors
Helen Morrall	Head teacher
Martin Percy	Co-opted Governor
Allison Munns	Co-opted Governor
Kozzy Hoque	Co-opted Governor
Steven Lucas	Co-opted Governor
Sarah Cameron	Co-opted Governor
Jamie Pell	Staff Governor

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF A GOVERNOR?

The Governing Body has three main core functions:

- ◆ Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- ◆ Holding executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the organisation and its pupils, and the performance management of staff; and
- ◆ Overseeing the financial performance of the organisation and making sure its money is well spent.

(Governance Handbook, DfE, 2020)

How do I contact a Governor?

All governors are contactable through the school office. You can either leave a message for them or email the school who will pass it on to the relevant governor or governors. For more information please visit the school website governor section.