



The Avenue Infant School

GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER

2020-2021

12th July 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome to the last newsletter of this school year and what a year it has been! This Summer Term has seen some 'normal activities' resume such as the year group trips, myself and Emma Russell are looking forward to joining Year 2 in going to Hunstanton and Emma also went with the reception classes to Irchester Country Park for the day.

We would finally like to extend our gratitude to everyone who has pulled together to support the school over the last year. In particular, we have seen many examples of staff showing a level of dedication and commitment that embodies the values of our school. We would especially like to thank Mrs Morrall and the Senior Leadership Team during these exceptional times.

Stewart Miller, Chair of Governors.

INTRODUCING.... Laura Pereira, Parent Governor

I've been a parent governor at the Avenue Infant School since December 2020. It's been an interesting way to start as a governor, meeting by Zoom instead of real life, but I've received a warm welcome and look forward to working with the governors during my term as parent governor.

I have two daughters – one is in Reception at the Avenue and the other is in Year 4 at Park Junior School. Despite starting her school life in the middle of a pandemic, my daughter's experience has been fantastic thanks to the hard work, skill and dedication of the school's leaders and teachers. I know it has been a tough year for parents too, and I think parents and teachers alike deserve huge credit for getting through it!

I volunteered as parent governor so that I could give something back to the school and local community. In the process, I am gaining knowledge and experience of the school's strategic vision and hope to help evaluate and develop this into the future. I sit on the Standards and Quality Committee and have recently offered to help monitor and evaluate progress in Subject Leadership, which is part of the school's development plan.

Outside of the governors, I work in university student support and administration. I work with research students who are studying for PhDs and professional doctorates.

Have a great summer and I hope you all get a chance to rest and recharge before the autumn term.

Exciting new playtimes!

It has been so lovely to see the launch of our new playtimes, the children look they are having so much fun.

If you have any old computer keyboards, old phones, torches etc. that are no longer working we would welcome any donations of these items or if you are able source some of these items or anything the children could play with imagination—please contact the school.



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
Bob Ballard	Co-opted Governor
Jamie Pell	Staff Governor
Alex Young	Parent Governor
Laura Pereira	Parent Governor
Pinkesh Patel	Parent Governor

THANK YOU

As always, we acknowledge the wonderful fundraising support provided by FOTAS and the new and creative ways they have found to fundraise and support the school whilst adhering to the restrictions.

And finally a huge thank you to everyone who has supported the school and FOTAS events, the monies raised makes a big difference to the children,

Thank you once again.

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.