



## William Penn Governors' Newsletter – Summer 2019

### OFSTED

Governors are proud of the outcome of the recent OFSTED inspection. "This school continues to be good. The leadership team has maintained the good quality of education in the school since the last inspection," wrote the inspector in her letter to the school. Indeed, governors and staff will meet (this year as every year) to continue in that regard on the forthcoming INSET day. Together we update the rolling programme of progress and improvement, taking into account the Inspector's valuable remarks. In a one day inspection it is difficult for an inspector to see all the good work that a school does outside of their key lines of enquiry. It was therefore pleasing that she noted the calm and effective leadership, the attainment at the end of key stage 2, the strong governance, the varied curriculum and how the school's values help pupils in becoming effective learners and model citizens.

### Before and After School Wrap-Around Care

As a governing body, we hope to support those families which might benefit from some "wrap-around" care: extending the school day to include "before and after" sessions for those who would benefit from them. This facility has been identified as one that some parents would appreciate. More details of such sessions will follow in a few weeks, and Governors are pleased to think that the particular needs of individual families will be met in this way, starting from the next school year.



### Governors Past and Present

There are two Governors who are reaching the end of their terms of office and they are Margaret King-Tours and Andrew Bernardi. Between them, they have decades of knowledge of the school, and have contributed richly to its well-being. But instead of waving good bye, we are happy to say that they have agreed to remain as Associate Members of the Governing Body. So, we can 'have our cake and can eat it too' as we can now seek to recruit 2 new Governors as well. The present group is looking at what skills we already have, and what skills we need, to form a balanced Governing Body. We have been very happy that in the past, people have come forward to find out more about what is involved in becoming a Governor, and if this is you, please do contact Nicola Waters, our Chair: email [chair@williampenn.co.uk](mailto:chair@williampenn.co.uk).

### Thank you

The school, and in particular the governing body, is incredibly grateful to the years of loyal service provided by our 2 outgoing governors. Margaret has been a Governor for 20 years, 12 of them as Chair. Andrew has been serving us for 19 years, and is currently Vice-Chair. How comforting it is to think that all their experience and wisdom is still available to Governors, both old and new. We thank them most warmly, and look forward to seeing them around the school and in our meetings.

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