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# William Penn Primary School



## Governor Newsletter

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### Summer Newsletter 2016

Welcome to the last newsletter of the 2015-2016 academic year. As the school year draws to a close we would like to wish all of the children in Year 6 well at their new secondary school as they continue onwards and upwards on their educational journey. We would also like to thank all of the staff, school volunteers, parents and children in all years for another successful school year.

### New Build

It is with great excitement that we draw ever closer to our new modular style classroom and group room which will offer all of the children more space to learn. In addition to the kind generosity of parents, friends of the school, the local community and Quaker Friends; we would also like to thank the Sarah Andrews Trust and Southover Manor Trust who have recently provided very generous donations.

You may have also noticed the colourful rainbow donation barometer located in the external school notice board which is now creeping up towards the £10,000 FUNdraising target, so thank you again for your continued support.



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## Changes to the Governing Body

As you are aware Susan Richardson, one of our two Quaker Foundation Governors at William Penn, resigned due to ill health last term. Happily though, Susan is now well enough to resume her termly assemblies which are always well received. We would now like to officially welcome Miss Vanessa Young who replaces Susan on the governing body and brings with her a wealth of educational experience. Vanessa has been involved in education since 1985, firstly as a Head of Junior School Boarding and part-time teacher of Years 4 and 5, and thereafter as a Year 1 class teacher in a day school. More recently she has been responsible for teaching people with a vision impairment, and is currently Rehabilitation & Training Manager of a national sight loss charity. Vanessa is studying part-time for an MA in Restorative Justice, is a Member of the Blue Idol Quaker Meeting and is committed to Quaker values in education.

## Governor Visits

It is the time of year once more when members of the Governing Body undertake classroom visits to find out more about how William Penn operates on a day-to-day basis with a focus on 'School Improvement Plan' priorities. Governors then discuss visits with an aim of helping the whole governing body when monitoring and evaluating the progress being made towards the priorities and targets in the School Improvement Plan, and informing strategic decision making for the future. Visits have been arranged for June with two Governors visiting per class.

## School Lunches

The school is in the process of changing lunch providers following a West Sussex County Council tendering process. There will be further information about this in future school newsletters and a taster session for parents from 3PM on Tuesday 28th June.

## Members of the Governing Body

### Parent Governors:

Mrs Emma Farncombe  
Mrs Sarah Storey

### Foundation Governors:

Mr Colin Hope  
Miss Vanessa Young

### Local Auth. Governor:

Mrs Nicola Waters

### Staff Governors:

Mrs Sophie Peters  
Mr Stephen Kear

### Associate Governor:

Mr Jamie Coad

### Clerk:

Mrs Michelle Campbell

### Co-opted Governors:

Mr Andrew Bernardi  
(Vice-Chair)  
Mrs Margaret King-Tours  
(Chair)  
Mrs Kirstie Flood  
Mr Jim Smith

*If you would like to contact the governing body direct, you are welcome to use our dedicated e-mail address: [governors@williampenn.co.uk](mailto:governors@williampenn.co.uk).*

*Kind regards, Kirstie Flood Co-opted/Link Governor.*