



Governor Newsletter

November 2016



The Governors are committed to ensuring that the school premises are a safe, stimulating and effective environment in which to teach and learn.

Over the summer holidays building work was undertaken to erect a partition wall in the Year 5/6 middle area in order to create two separate learning areas. Money for the project had been provided by the Blake Educational Trust to whom the Governors are enormously grateful.

The new spaces have proved popular with staff and children alike and provide additional learning opportunities for both year groups.

This year the Governors have been delighted to welcome Fiona Hayes, who has been elected by the staff team at The Blake School to be their representative on the Governing Board.

Fiona has been a teacher at the school for 12 years and therefore has extensive knowledge of the school. Fiona has led music for much of her time at the school and now leads the school orchestra.

In 2008 Fiona took part in a teacher swap, which gave her an opportunity to teach for a year in New South Wales, Australia.



The Governors are already benefitting from Fiona's knowledge and experience.

This term governors said thank you and goodbye to Jane Slater who has reached the end of her term of office as a foundation governor. Jane has been a very active governor and served as Chair of the Curriculum committee. Governors are very grateful for all that Jane has contributed during her four years as a governor.

Barbara March is exploring the role of Chair of the Curriculum committee as Jane's replacement.

The Blake School is a rich and varied community and over the summer it was therefore necessary to make changes to the school building to allow for the creation of a new disabled toilet and washroom facility.

The works, which have also included ensuring that there is safe and easy access to the playground for all, were funded by the Local Authority.



You can find out more about the work of the Governing Board and who the Governors are by looking at the [School website](#) and reading our termly summary of business.

If you wish to contact the Governors you can do so via their email address blakegovernors@googlemail.com or you can speak to parent and staff governors who are often in and around the school at the beginning and end of the school day.

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