



Governor Newsletter

February 2019



Governors are very aware of the increasing pressures on the mental health and wellbeing of both staff and children.

Staff are now actively monitoring children's perseverance and resilience and seeking to support the development of these important attributes.

A number of staff and volunteers are involved in providing activities for children who have been identified as vulnerable, or who may benefit from additional support.

Staff are also making use of the professional skills offered by one of the Governors to help them improve their practice as well as consider how they can better support one another.

Please complete our annual parent/carers survey!

[Take the survey](#)

Many thanks to those of you who have already completed the annual parent/carers survey, your feedback is greatly appreciated and will be used to help staff and governors as they consider school development priorities for next year.

Feedback is also used to inform changes to practice and school procedures.

102 parents/carers completed the annual survey in March 2018, representing 132 children.

One of the consistent areas of feedback from last year's survey concerned developing outdoor play and learning and increasing the range of opportunities for getting children active.

This year has seen an increase in the number of children involved in inter school sports and competitions, The Friends have agreed to support the school in fundraising for additional outdoor play equipment and all classes are undertaking at least one session of outdoor learning per week.

The value for February has been kindness.

Since Christmas Governors have been joining children in demonstrating kindness by taking it in turns to bring cakes for the staff room on Fridays.

Governors are very aware of the ever-increasing staff workload and wanted to find a small way to express their thanks to them for the great job that they do.

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 governors@blake.oxon.sch.uk

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