



# Governor Newsletter

## December 2019



The governors were delighted to see so many people at the recent Christmas fair organised by The Friends.

The governors would like to thank everyone who was involved in the planning and on the day itself.

The event was a fantastic success and was a great opportunity for our community to come together as well as raising a terrific sum.

It is a particular pleasure for governors to be able to attend the performances / services at this time of year.

Whilst these events provide an important opportunity to celebrate the meaning of Christmas, they also give children an opportunity to share their more creative talents.

The Christmas performances and events provides opportunities for children to show not only their classmates, but also parents/carers how talented they are. Investing in these events is part of the school's commitment to the flourishing of all children.

One comment summed it up - "It is a such a joy to see the children taking so much pleasure from these events, not only in their own performances but also those of others."

The governors would like to take this opportunity to wish all the children and their families a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas break.

Earlier this month the governors were delighted to welcome Andrew Newham as a new Foundation Governor.

Andrew is a committed member of St Mary's Cogges and has many years previous experience of being a governor.



Andrew worked for 32 years on London Underground (as Guard, Driver and Duty Manager) and is now a qualified volunteer signalman on the Gloucestershire and Warwickshire steam railway.

Andrew is a QPR season ticket holder and can trace his family history of supporting the team back to 1915.

The governors are already benefitting from Andrew's experience and look forward to working with him further.

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.

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