

Governor Newsletter

December 2017



Earlier this month staff and governors welcomed three Ofsted inspectors into school for two days of rigorous inspection.

As part of the inspection the lead inspector spent an hour talking to governors about their work. Governors were required to demonstrate their monitoring of the school's development priorities, their capacity to challenge the school and their understanding of school data.

The governors look forward to sharing the Ofsted report with you at the Parent's Forum at **6.15pm** on **Wednesday 17**th **January 2018.**

The governors would like to thank the staff for all their on-going hard work and their commitment to the school.

One of the great joys of being a governor is to be able to watch school performances and join in whole school celebrations.

This month many of your children have been involved in performances and carol services and governors have been privileged to share them.



"It was touching to be [there]... excellent evidence of how the children thrive in the Early Years"

The Governors wish you and your children a very special Christmas season.

Governors are committed to ensuring that the children at The Blake School receive a broad and balanced curriculum. In addition, governors must ensure that the 'Sport's Premium Funding', allocated by the government to all primary schools, is spent in ways which allow all children to access a wide range of sports activities and establish active lifestyles. You can read about how the premium was spent last year and the range of sport on offer in school here.

It was a pleasure for the governors to meet so many of you at the Friends Christmas fair. Governors are very keen to hear the views of parents/carers and the wider community.

The governors were delighted to work alongside 'The Friends of The Blake' who work so tirelessly to raise additional funds for the school.

You can find out more about the work of the Governing Board and who the Governors are by looking at the <u>School website</u> 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