

The Blake CE Primary School

Governing Board Business. Term 6.



School Development Plan

In his final headteacher's report of the year Mr Edwards-Grundy talked governors through the progress that has been made against the school's development priorities for the past year.

Governors were aware, from their own ongoing monitoring, how the priorities have been worked on through the year and were encouraged to see how this work has impacted so positively on pupil's progress and attainment across the school.

Financial information

The governors are supported in their work by many unsung heroes one of whom is Teresa Shillam (School Business Manager).

Teresa provides monthly budget monitoring to the governors and attends meetings of the finance committee to present financial information. The school's draft budget for 2018/19 has now been approved by ODST.

Teresa is also responsible for health and safety across the school. Governors were delighted when the recent annual health and safety audit came back as 100% compliance, no actions required!

The governors have now received a report from the National Leader of Governance who has been working with them recently.

The report identifies areas of strength and for development and these will form the basis of a governor action plan for 2018/19.

Governing Body Business

At the end of the school year governors allocate roles and responsibilities for the forthcoming academic year.

It is encouraging to see succession planning in action with less experienced governors now ready to move into new roles.

Phil Fowler has been appointed as Chair of Governors and Sam Sadler as Vice-Chair; Ernie Gascoigne will Chair the finance committee.

In September governors will be allocated specific school development priorities for monitoring during the 18/19 academic year.

Governors have discussed, amended and approved the following documents –

Stress at work and More Able learners

Copies of many school policies are on the <u>school</u> <u>website</u>. Copies of policies not on the website can be requested from the school office.

Listening to Pupils

Every year during the summer term governors look carefully at feedback from children across the school and especially in Year 6. You can find out what they said in our recent Governor newsletters.

Governors have looked in detail at their comments and suggestions and ae already considering changes that can be made in response to their concerns.

It was a delight to read so many positive comments from the children who clearly feel very positive about their school and all that happens here.

If you would like to contact the governors you can do so via the school office, or you can email them on governors@blake.oxon.sch.uk