



## Governor Spotlight December 2020

Dear Parents & Carers & Staff,

As we come to the end of a very challenging year for all, we wanted to take the opportunity to wish you all a Happy Christmas, thank you for your continued support of our school and provide you with a quick update as to the work going on behind the scenes this past term by the local board of governors.

### **Supporting the School on our continued Improvement journey**

Whilst we have still not been able to visit the school physically, we have continued to keep in constant communication with Mr Maddison through regular zoom meetings.

The same is true for the subject link visits with all of us in constant communication via zoom or email with subject leaders meaning that although we are not able to meet face to face, we can still ensure we are closely monitoring our school improvement plan.

Subject link 'visits' have taken place over the past term include KS1 & KS2 English, Maths, Early Years, SENDCO & Christian Distinctiveness.

Local Board Meetings have also continued virtually where the topics of discussion have included the recovery curriculum and how we are helping our children return to school in the best possible way, the school performance and improvement plan, finance, marketing as well as numerous policies.

### **Liaising with Diocese of Bristol Academies Trust (DBAT)**

We continue to participate in our 'DBAT Chairs' meeting on a monthly basis ensuring we are aware of what is happening at other schools within the trust and we get to hear from the DBAT Directors as to the plans to deliver the best education for our children.

Moving forward this meeting will become a strategic working party so we are very well placed to ensure our schools requirements are reflected in future activity.

### **Governor recruitment**

We are delighted to have recruited a new community governor who joins us with a very good reputation (more details to follow next time) but we are always on the lookout for interested parties. Currently we have 2 x foundation governor vacancies so if you know of anyone who might be interested, please let us know.

As always, if you have any questions for the Local Board, please contact us.

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