



Newsletter

Governing Body of Sunnymede Junior School

Welcome to this Newsletter from the Governing Body of Sunnymede Junior School.

2015 has been another busy year for the School as we continue to strive to ensure that our pupils are achieving and exceeding their potential.

We are expecting our SATS results to be excellent and we are confident our current Year 6 pupils are well prepared for life in the next tier of the education system.

The education landscape and environment continues to be as fluid as always and the biggest challenge is the alteration and removal of the old assessment system – Mrs Branch and our team will be sharing updates to this with you over the weeks and months to come.

I would particularly like to thank the PTA for all their efforts this Academic year and for everyone who has helped support their events – it is making a difference for our children and that’s what it is all about.

Please remember that the School Governors are accessible so don’t be afraid to speak with us.

Kindest Regards,

Richard Burgess ACIEH, MCIM

Chair of Governors
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Introducing your Governing Body

The Governing Body has recently been re-constituted following regulatory changes and our current Governors and Constitution is as follows:

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| 1. Head Teacher – Mrs Branch | 8. Parent Governor – Nicky Rackham |
| 2. Staff Governor – Miss Livingston | 9. Co-Opted Governor – Charissa Guy (Vice Chair) |
| 3. LA Governor – Margaret Thomas | 10. Co-Opted Governor – Jane Lyon |
| 4. Trust Governor – Robert Smith | 11. Co-Opted Governor – Tom Burton (Finance Lead) |
| 5. Trust Governor – Richard Burgess (Chair) | 12. Co-Opted Governor – Ashley Fielding |
| 6. Parent Governor – Liz Dillon | |
| 7. Parent Governor – Michelle Wain | |

We also have 2 Associate Members:

1. Associate Member – Ian Hassall
2. Associate Member – Kirsten Attridge



Improvements undertaken in the Academic Year ending July 2015

The Governing Body continues to drive the School forward by ensuring our funds are spent strategically and wisely, these recent developments have included:

- New Shed for play equipment storage
- Library – carpet, decoration, computer system
- Rolling program of general school redecoration continuing
- Books & Classroom resources
- Lap top upgrades for teachers
- Playtime equipment
- Carpets replaced in various areas of the School
- Refurbishment of staff toilets
- Refurbishment of pupil toilets
- Changing rooms created in School Hall decommissioned toilets
- Lap Top storage areas created
- Outdoor drinking fountains installed

This list is just an illustration of the work completed.

Year 6 Residential Trip – exciting changes for 2015!

October 2015 with our current Year 6 saw our last visit to the traditional residential trip to York. We had a great time and I (Richard Burgess) was lucky enough to be in attendance again for our last historic visit to this amazing City.

Mrs Branch, Miss King and myself have spent a lot of time in researching alternatives for the Year 6 Residential and after eventful trips across the UK we settled with choosing Kingswood Outdoor Activity Centre in the far north of Norfolk for the new adventure!

It is time for a change and we know this is the right choice for our Pupils.

I am, once again, lucky enough to be going on the new Trip and will ensure that a full report is sent to you all in the next Governing Body Newsletter – I know that your children are going to have the time of their lives and create memories that will last them a life time!

Our Current Mission and Vision Statement is:

Sunnymede Junior School

Vision

At Sunnymede Junior School we firmly support the concept that Every Child Matters. All children should be:

- Successful learners
- Confident individuals
- Responsible citizens

Mission

We aim to provide a caring and stimulating environment where all pupils are encouraged to thrive both academically and socially. Confidence and independence are highly valued and a positive attitude to learning is expected of everyone within our community. Mutual respect is vital and we attach great importance to the partnership between home and school.

We work hard to ensure optimum intellectual, social, physical and emotional development for all pupils. We do this by:

- Providing full access to the National Curriculum
- Fostering an atmosphere of discovery and learning
- Promoting rigorous standards in work and behaviour
- Ensuring that all pupils have the opportunity to experience success
- Maintaining an ambience of tolerance and respect for all cultures and beliefs

Contact us

Should you need to make contact with the Governing Body please feel free to do so. You can contact us via the School Office or by emailing the Chair of Governors – richardb@alanblunden.co.uk

