



# CKIS Governors



## June Newsletter



The Governors are (Left to right): Paul Engelbrecht, Katie James, Claire Russell, Anthony Jones, Will Partridge, James Attack, Jo Bagley, Simon Thomas, Henning Schmidt, Hilary Smith, Dominic Burke, Hannah Crocker, Rebecca Pritchard, Vera Storey and Jo Jones. Fran Tyler and Tracey Bevan not pictured.



### School Council

Children are enjoying having a say in what goes on in school and their community by electing peers to be on the School Council. They have brought some brilliant ideas which have been adopted - playground buddies and lunchtime monitors.

## Exciting developments

It's been a really busy time at CKIS, we want to make sure you have heard about some of the exciting things that have been happening.

The CKIS governing body is committed and driven to ensuring the best provision possible for all of the children at our school. Our decisions are based on our four core values below. We have been working hard in the background and recently set our strategic objectives for the school. The objectives are Staff Development, Governance Structure & Challenge and Linkage with other schools and the community. We will be letting you know more about how we intend to deliver on these objectives over the coming months through stand alone newsletters and a regular section in the Head teachers newsletter.



### Listening

Thank you for taking the time to complete the parent survey last term. The feedback we received showed we needed to work harder as a governing body to communicate what we do, why and how. This newsletter is a direct response to your input. We hope it helps to improve your picture of what a governing body does. We hope to use more newsletters in the future to keep you up to date with the work going on at the school.

**CHILDREN AND COMMUNITY AT THE CENTRE**

**KINDNESS AND CONSIDERATION FOR ALL**

**INSPIRATIONAL LEARNING THAT CHALLENGES AND EXCITES**

**STRIVING TO REACH OUR TRUE POTENTIAL**

## Governor Postbox

The Governors are keen to hear the views, input and ideas of all of the stakeholders at the school and in the community so are introducing a new postbox in the reception area at the school. Please feel free to contact us by popping a note in the box or by emailing [chair@ckis-glos.sch.uk](mailto:chair@ckis-glos.sch.uk).

Any post received will be passed to the governing body and read at the next relevant committee meeting. If appropriate we will endeavour to respond after the meeting (if you decide to include your name and contact information) - your comments and input can be anonymous if you would prefer.



## School Environment

Governors have been reviewing the effective use of our indoor and outdoor environment and planning changes to further support teaching and learning throughout. More details will follow but we are being supported by the PFA by their excellent fund raising efforts and the generous support of the parents and community.

## Who are the Governors?

We set the strategic direction, values and ethos of the school. It is our job to know the school, its staff, the community and education policy so that we can work effectively to support, monitor and challenge the school and its leadership team to ensure that we deliver the best possible start for the children's education and development. We are responsible for the financial performance of the school, ensuring value for money and appropriate use of funds. If you want to know more about us please look at the school website under the 'About Us' and 'Our Governors' tabs.

### ALL CHANGE

**There has been some change on the Governing Body in the last few months.**

Christine Paris-Johnstone and Heather Eggelton have come to the end of their term for the GB. They both did excellent and committed work for the school whilst they were involved, for which we thank them very much.

Mrs Main had been a staff governor since September 2016. As Mel has now left the school for a new position as Manager of Berkhamstead Day Nursery she has naturally ceased to be a staff governor. We wish Mel all the best in her exciting new opportunity and thank her for her valuable work on the GB.

Recently one of our Staff Governors, Mrs Tyler, has been on maternity leave. You will be pleased to know, however, that Mrs Tyler decided to maintain her role on on the GB during this time, which we really appreciate.

As we are in the process of assessing the best structure for the Governing Body we are not currently filling any vacancies. Our work on this will take another few weeks, once we have an agreed structure we may be recruiting new governors. If you would like to be involved please contact the Chair of Governors via the Clerk at [clerk@charltonkings-inf.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:clerk@charltonkings-inf.gloucs.sch.uk).