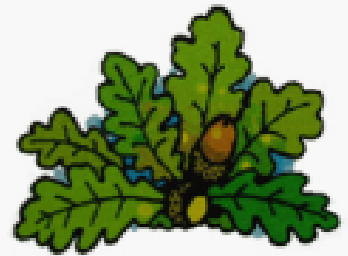


Bolney CE Primary School

GOVERNORS' UPDATE

September 2019



Be the best you can
Guided by God

Welcome back to another busy year. We hope you all had a lovely summer break.

A very warm welcome to our new children in reception and their families.

The Board

For those of you who are new to the school, the board of governors are all volunteers and we are accountable to West Sussex County Council, the Diocese of Chichester, and to you, the parents & carers of our pupils. The Governors represent various groups: the parents, the church, the local community and the staff. The school governors make regular visits to the school and examine reports, data, and policies closely. We discuss and ask questions, to understand how and why things are done, and we challenge in a supportive way. We work with other schools to help the school, and us as a Governing Body, identify and implement best practice. In addition to some statutory responsibilities, the focus of the Governing Body's work is directed by the school's priorities as set out in the School Development Plan. In all our work we are mindful of our vision: ensuring that your children leave us as fearless lifelong learners, ready to meet the world with self-confidence, curiosity and resilience. Be the best you can, guided by God.

The Governors elect a Chair and Vice Chair each year. Full governor meetings are held regularly and the various committees we have report to these meetings.

Our current board consists of the following Governors:

Faye Heath-Lay (Chair)

Peter Sutton (Vice-Chair)

Ros Barton

Judith Kew

Becky Harrison

Angie Nagendra

Tony Bond

Clare James

Carole Wood

Lorraine Kenny (Head teacher)

Zoe Belton (Clerk)

We also have two pupil governors, Unity Hunt and Felix Graham, who work with us in school.

If you would like to put names to faces or find out how to contact us, please visit the governor page on the school website. https://www.bolneyschool.org.uk/website/the_governing_body/223485

Ofsted

On the last day of the summer term, parents, staff and governors all received an official copy of our Ofsted report following the visit on 5th July. We are delighted that the inspection confirmed that Bolney C.E. Primary School continues to be a GOOD school.

The inspector recognised the incredible work that goes on across the whole school to provide all our pupils with a good standard of education and the report highlights many key strengths. We are proud of our vision and values and the inspector identified how “As a result of this culture, pupils show exceptional care and respect for one another and are very proud of their school.” We were also pleased that the inspector recognised and praised the hard work that has taken place to improve teaching and learning and the positive outcome this has had on our pupils. “Work to develop and improve teaching is effective... New initiatives in the teaching of writing, spelling, grammar and mathematics have led to substantial improvements in the progress and attainment of all current pupils.”

A massive THANK YOU to all the staff, children and parents for making Bolney CEP School a fantastic place to learn.

Friends of Bolney

The Friends of Bolney do an amazing job in raising much needed funds for the school and this week the children (and many adults) took part in the first fundraiser of the year. The sponsored mile on Tuesday was a great event to help raise more funds to improve Willow’s outside classroom which is in much need of a new surface and apparatus. The children were very enthusiastic and completed the challenge with smiles on their faces! A huge thank you to the Friends of Bolney for organising and running the event. Thank you also to all the children who took part and to everyone who sponsored them. We look forward to hearing how much money was raised.

Please continue to support the Friends of Bolney and look out for forthcoming events.

Many thanks to everyone involved in the Bolney school community for their ongoing commitment and support.

If you would like to speak to us or if you have any questions, do look out for us at the school or use the governor email address on the school website.