



Governors' Summer Newsletter 2014

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Children

As you may remember from my Easter Newsletter, I will be stepping down as Chair of Governors and as Community Governor of Chorleywood Primary with effect from the end of this summer term, but my intention is to remain in an advisory capacity, as an Associate Member of the panel until at least Christmas 2014. This will therefore be the last ever Newsletter from me, but no doubt the new Chair will continue to issue similar termly bulletins.

I am sure you will all be delighted to learn that Mrs Roberts has been appointed by the Local Authority as Headteacher HIP (Hertfordshire Improvement Partner) and HPP (Hertfordshire Professional Partner). Both these prestigious roles involve supporting and mentoring newly appointed Headteachers. Mrs Roberts will be undertaking her new duties with 3 schools within the Local Authority resulting in additional income for the school plus extensive professional development opportunities for the Deputy Headteacher in her absence. Most importantly, this is a fantastic opportunity for sharing good practice and learning from successful initiatives in other schools. Chorleywood Primary will not suffer as a result given that Mrs Roberts will spend only two and a half days in each school throughout the year with one and a half days' for planning and preparation (to be undertaken outside of the school day). This will mean minimal disruption for Chorleywood Primary School with massive rewards. I am sure you will all join me in congratulating her on her achievement.

It was interesting to see so many old faces at the Centenary celebrations and to delve through the treasure trove of photos and old log books from years ago. Old pupils who had attended the school in the 1950s and 1960s and two ex-Heads came. The performances from the children were great fun and beautifully executed, but surely Ms Ros Jones should get a special award for effort in her dancing! Alex Bettridge's scones and teas were amazing (I had too many!), so therefore a big thank you from the Governors to Hayley Bulley and the entire Centenary team for putting on such a great show and refreshments. The Governors would also like to thank Elaine Ridout for her excellent efforts and commitment over recent years chairing the PTA. She too will be stepping down and handing over to someone else in September.

Thank you all for your hard work and support of our delightful school and I wish you all a relaxing and hopefully warm and dry summer holiday.

Carla Avis
Chair of Governors
Chorleywood Primary School