

Governors' Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This term we celebrate the achievement of the pupils and a fantastic year at Chorleywood Primary School and update you on a few things we have been working on.



We are very proud to be able to share the results of our Phonics Screening, KS1 and KS2 results for 2016. A fantastic set of results, which the pupils, staff and families at Chorleywood Primary should be very proud of!

National Curriculum expectations are extremely high across all years groups (not just in KS1 and KS2 SATS) and we wanted to reiterate how hard the children have worked and how proud we are of each and every one of them for the progress they have made and their behavior for learning.

We wanted to say **Thank you** to all the staff, the PTA and everyone who has supported the school this year, without your time, energy and passion Chorleywood Primary School would not be the amazing place it is.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a restful summer break.

Simone Tyson (Chair of Governors)

Collaborative Working

We have been continuing to increase our links with other local schools during this term and are having regular meetings with the Head Teachers and Chairs of Governors at other local primary schools and will be continuing this going forward.

Sharing of best practice, local collaborative working and increased links across the local primary and secondary schools is a really positive step and we have found the increased contact through these meetings very helpful.

The announced Government plans for "Educational Excellence Everywhere" has been a topic that we have been looking at and we have set up a strategy sub group who are working on this. They will be feeding back to the Full Governing Board as they progress their analysis to help work out what is the best approach for our pupils and school.

Stakeholder Feedback

It is very important for us to understand the views of all of our stakeholders at Chorleywood Primary School.

In the autumn term 2016/17 we will conduct our annual parent voice survey at Parents Evening.

Regular pupil voice surveys happen throughout the year and we recently undertook a Year 6 survey for feedback about experiences at Chorleywood Primary School.

During the summer term we have also undertaken a staff voice survey and are currently analysing the feedback received.

Grant

We wanted to thank **Anna Murry**, who volunteered to help for with some grant applications to improve the football pitches. We hope to hear back about the applications next term. Grants and donations are a fantastic source of support for the school and we are very grateful for the time and effort she has put into this!

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION

Derek Frankland has been an esteemed and valued governor at Chorleywood Primary School for over 20 years.

We felt, that during a year where Governance has been a key priority area for the school and so much has been achieved and as we come close to his retirement from active responsibilities, that it would be fitting and wholly appropriate to celebrate his time with the school by setting up a lasting legacy in his name.

Derek has a wealth of teaching experience and has been involved with the school for a long time, having had children and now grandchildren at Chorleywood Primary School.

The new vision and the values that the school takes forward have been developed by all of the stakeholders this year, based on the collective aspirations for the children in our care, these were driven by a desire to retain our school ethos and what makes Chorleywood Primary such a special place which we all care for so much. Behaviour for Learning is the central focus of this vision.

School Vision and Ethos:

At Chorleywood Primary School we strive to ensure that all our children are happy and successful. In our inclusive school everyone is equal and differences are celebrated. We work in partnership with parents and carers to inspire a love of learning. We are passionate about offering challenge, fun and excitement within a caring and safe learning environment where everyone can be the best they can possibly be.

Through consistently high expectations we will give your child the skills to be an outstanding and motivated **LEARNER:**

Listener
Enthusiastic
Ambitious
Resilient
Nurturing
Engaged
Respectful

Our vision is underpinned by the British values.

It is with great pleasure that we can therefore announce that annually from this year onwards there will be a new award shield called "**The Derek Frankland - Behaviour for Learning Award**".

The shield will be held in school and will have the names of the children who receive the award engraved on it and there will be an individual personal version for the child receiving the award each year for them to keep.



How to contact the school leadership and management

For any day to day questions, queries or concerns you may have relating to your child please liaise with your class teacher.

If you would like to discuss something that relates to the school, but not your child specifically, you can also talk to your class teacher, or it may be appropriate to contact the school office.

If you have a concern that is not addressed through either of these means then please speak to the school office to be able to arrange to talk to Mrs Roberts.

Mrs Roberts often welcomes both students and parents into school in the mornings and is accessible if you have queries.

If you were to need to contact the governing body please do this via the school office.