

Governor of the Month

Anne Bishop: Parent Governor and Chair of Governors

Welcome to a new section of our newsletter. To improve your understanding of the role of the Governing Body, we are trialling having a 'Governor of the Month.' This Governor will contribute to the newsletter at the end of their month to tell you a bit about themselves and what they have been doing during their visits to school. We hope that you find this informative and may even encourage some of you to want to be a Governor too.

This Month has been a busy one for me welcoming two new Governors to our Board. Firstly Lisa Nash is our new Parent Governor. She has been a parent at our school for many years and has more recently been a Parent Representative. Lisa works in Educational research so has joined the Teaching, Learning and Assessment committee to monitor the strategic priorities in this section of the School development Plan. We also welcomed Kelly Robinson as Foundation Governor who is also a parent at our school and has been a Parent Representative for this academic year. Kelly is a Secondary School teacher who specialises in English and Religious Studies. For this reason Kelly has joined the Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare committee where the Catholic life of the school is reported on and monitored. We are really pleased to have them on board!

Earlier this month, I attended a celebration assembly, which made me very proud to be part of our school community. There were many children celebrated and awarded certificates for a range of reasons, such as star of the week, Football achievements and times table rock stars.

I have also been able to observe some of the learning taking place in English. The teachers are now using a 'Talk for Writing' approach to their English teaching and it was clear that the children have been immersed in this approach in every year group. 'Talk for Writing' is a fun, creative yet also rigorous approach to develop writers, and it was clear from my observations of the children and discussions with the teachers, that it is having a very positive impact on our children's progress. During my time in school, the children are always so well behaved and demonstrate exemplary manners. I am very much looking forward to my next visits!