



## **Greenholm Governor News**

Welcome to the Summer Term! My name is Jo Osborne, Greenholm's Chair of Governors. I've supported the school for many years as part of the governing body. In September I took over from Steve Shorrocks as the school's Chair of Governors. It's been great to work alongside Mr Bird in this year of transition with both a new Head and Chair starting at the school. A huge part of my role focuses on making sure the governing body supports the school and hold them to account to make sure children at Greenholm receive the best experience that sets them up for their next stage in life.

In this newsletter, I want to share some updates with you about what's been happening at our school, what's coming up, and a bit about who we are and what we do as governors.

## **What's Been Happening**

Last term proved to be a full one for governors, with lots happening across the school. The governing body worked together with the leadership team to refresh our school's vision and values – taking time to look at what we stand for, what we want for children and the wider community. We've had two rounds of governor meetings to check on how things are going and to make sure we're doing everything we can to support our school and keep it moving forward. Particularly in a time where we have welcomed a new Headteacher.

## **Looking Ahead**

There is lots going on next term to look forward to. The governors have played a full role in the Deputy Headteacher recruitment process. We have supported Mr Bird with this to provide the right capacity for the school to continue to deliver continued developments at our school. We're also celebrating the school's 70th birthday – a big milestone for us! Last term there was a special treat for children with good attendance, and looking ahead we have a summer fair and the sports days to look forward to.

## **Welcome**

We've just welcomed a new parent governor, Tameka Williams. We don't currently have any vacancies to join the governing body. If you're interested in supporting the school, please consider joining the PTFA meetings that happen every half term. It's a great way to get involved and make a difference.

## **Governor Visits**

As part of their role, governors are linked to individual year groups and come in to school regularly to speak to staff and children and look at the provision. Most recently, Sharon Buchanan, one of our parent governors, has been in school to see some art and performing arts lessons in Y4 and Reception. She fed back to the governors that she was really pleased with all she saw!

## **About the Governing Body**

Our main job as governors is to be a 'critical friend' to the school. We're here to support the school's leaders and make sure everyone is doing the best possible job for our children. The full governing body meets six times a year, as well attendance at the different sub-committees focusing on Finances, Premises and Health & Safety, Staffing, and Curriculum and Standards.



## **Thank You**

Finally I'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone - staff, children and parents- for all your hard work and support. Whilst working with leaders on the school vision and values, it's evident that Greenholm is a great place for everyone. Here's to another great half term ahead!