

The Pinvin Federation of Schools Governors' Newsletter - Summer 2018

It has been another busy year for the Governing Body as we have worked alongside other stakeholders in the Federation to ensure the very best outcomes for our children. This is a summary of the main areas of work that Governors have been involved with.

FAREWELL TO MR BEST

- At the end of the autumn term the Governors were involved in saying goodbye to Mr Best, who had been an excellent Executive Head, and ensuring that the leadership of the Federation was in a good place for the duration of the time without an Executive Head.

MRS CHATTERTON AND MS RUSHTON

- The Governors have entirely supported Mrs Chatterton and Ms Rushton as they have taken on complete leadership responsibility for Pinvin CE First School and St Nicholas CE Middle School as well as Himbleton CE First School during the interim period.
- Mrs Chatterton and Ms Rushton have enabled the leadership team around them to flourish and grow through a challenging year. They have been totally committed and dedicated to the life of the Federation to ensure that our high standards and ethos have been maintained. The Governors have been deeply appreciative of all that they have done.

NEW EXECUTIVE HEAD APPOINTMENT

- The Governors had a very hands on approach to the appointment of the new Executive Head. From helping to make sure that the paperwork describing what the Federation is all about was completed, to being involved in the interview days, many governors gave a considerable amount of time to ensuring that the best possible appointment would be made. The support of DoWMAT and others was also very important.
- The whole Governing Body were delighted to ratify the appointment of Mr Steve Payne, from Halesowen CE Primary School, as our new Executive Head, and look forward to working with him from September.

HIMBLETON CE FIRST SCHOOL COLLABORATION

- The Governors have continued to support the collaboration the Federation has with Himbleton through leadership and staff support.
- It was good that both Governing Bodies were able to meet together as the details of interim arrangements and appointment of a new Executive Head were agreed.

DoWMAT

- During the last year there has been a deepening of the relationship that the Governors have with DoWMAT. We have been able to challenge DoWMAT on various areas of school life so that our practice and theirs is the best it can be for the benefit of our children.
- We are increasingly being looked to as having a leading role in DoWMAT.

GOVERNOR VISITS

- Throughout the school year Governors have come into the Federation on focused visits. These enable the Governors to hold the school accountable so that the very best education for our children is delivered.
- Governors have also been involved in several staff appointments.

TANZANIAN LINK

- Governors have continued their support of the Federation link with Musifini B Primary School in Morogoro.
- Foundation Governor, Revd Claire Lording, was able to visit Musifini B in June and present Mrs Tarimo with gifts and letters written by our children.

GOVERNOR UPDATE

- We sadly said goodbye to James Montgomery and Jenna Greenfield at the end of this academic year. They have both been excellent governors whose input has been invaluable at both full Governors' meetings and at a committee level.

THANK YOU

- It continues to be a huge privilege for all of us to serve as Governors in a Federation that has undergone much change this year. There is a real team spirit and we are all looking forward to the challenges and opportunities that next year will bring.
- Thank you to everyone who enables Pinvin Federation to be a wonderful place where our children can learn and grow.

