

# GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2022

MELLING PRIMARY SCHOOL

## SPRING MESSAGE FROM GOVERNORS

The Governing Body is a team of volunteers with different skills and backgrounds who all work hard to help the school to deliver the best possible education for our pupils. This term we are looking forward to reviewing the responses to our Parent/Carer questionnaire (to be completed by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March). This will help us a Governing Body to identify our strengths as a school, but also to see where we can make improvements and enhancements to our practice.

## WHO ARE THE GOVERNORS?

The governing body comprises:

Headteacher	Vivienne Ainsworth Brown
Staff Governor	Joanne Hargreaves
Parent Governors	Lesley Anne Cantwell
	Claire Millen
Co-opted Governors	Kate Hogan (Chair)
	Lesley Bond
	Steve Duggan
	Dina Ouko
	Brian Lawlor (Vice Chair)
	Doreen Scott
	Andrew Kyle
Local Authority Governor	Beryl O'Brien
Clerk to the Governors	Susan Hart

### **Governor - Safeguarding**

Mrs Hogan – Chair of Governors and Safeguarding Governor has been working with Ms Ainsworth-Brown to monitor safeguarding and child protection practices and procedures. This is one of our key core duties as a school and is held in high priority by the governors.

### **Governor – SEND**

Mrs Cantwell, parent Governor has met with Mrs Jones, SENCO to review and monitor documentation for ensuring high quality provision in terms of special educational needs. You will find the reviewed documentation on the website.

### **Governor – EYFS**

Mrs Bond has visited our YR (Early Years) classroom and worked with Mrs Hargreaves to review and monitor the implementation of the new EYFS curriculum and Baseline assessment. It also provided an opportunity for our governors to meet our newest children.

## PURPOSE OF GOVERNANCE

There are 3 core functions of the governing body. They are:

- 1) Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction  
**PLEASE SEE REVERSE OF THE NEWSLETTER TO READ THE GOVERNORS' VISION AND AIMS FOR MELLING PRIMARY AS REVIEWED IN OUR SPRING MEETING**
- 2) Holding leaders to account for the educational performance of the school and pupils, and the performance management of staff
- 3) Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure money is well spent

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## VISION

For Melling Primary to be recognised as an exceptional school where all are encouraged and supported to be the best that they can be; living and learning through The Melling Way in their life long learning journey.

## AIMS

**\*BE SAFE:** To ensure that all children are kept safe and secure; that they learn and put into practice how to keep themselves safe and respect the safety and security of others in the real and the cyber world.

**\*BE HEALTHY:** To provide a climate and environment in which children recognise, experience and adopt strategies for physical and mental well-being that will form the foundations for a healthy and happy life.

**\*BE RESPECTFUL:** To create a community in which the school's golden values are lived out in all aspects of a child's life and that these are acknowledged and celebrated as the mark of respect for themselves, respect for others and for their environment.

**\*BE A LEARNER:** To provide a rich, exciting and memorable curriculum that enables children to secure basic core skills and that deepens knowledge of their world & develops effective skills and positive attitudes to learning.

To provide high quality teaching that results in good and better progress for all children from their various starting points, leading to academic and personal achievement at the end of their primary school journey that every child can be proud of, whilst laying the necessary foundations for the rest of their life long learning journey.

**\*BE A RESPONSIBLE CITIZEN:** To promote a code of conduct by which children can live, in terms of their behaviour and attitude to others and to learning: Be Safe, Be Ready, Be Kind, Be respectful.

**BE THE BEST THAT YOU CAN BE...PROUD**