

15 February 2017

Dear School,

I am delighted with the opportunity to serve as Chair of Governors for Blakedown School, I promise to serve the whole school community to my best ability and welcome the help and support of the Vice Chairs Richard Thomas and Doug Wood and all the other Governors.

The next Full Governors will meet on the 8th of March.

There are two committees that feed back to the Full Governing Body they are;

- Resources Committee chaired by Doug Wood, this deals with budget, staffing and facilities,
- Learning and Development Committee chaired by Richard Thomas deals with curriculum, staffing and outcomes for the children,

All Governors are committed to the School Development Plan and the values and ethos of Blakedown School (please find these on the school website). It is these three things that guide us in our governorship of the school. We support the school leaders and staff, questioning and providing guidance in all areas to achieve the best outcomes for the children.

On the Governing Body, we have:

- Staff Governors and the Head teacher
- Parent Governors elected by parents (providing enough names are put forward to trigger an election)
- Foundation Governors which are approved by the Worcester Cathedral Diocese because they are connected to the church which founded the school in April 1885
- Local Authority Governors
- Co-opted Governors who are appointed by the Governing Body from the community for their skills and experience

On the school website, there is information about all of us, with photographs, so that you can recognise us around school. Please approach any Governor or make an appointment via the school office if you wish to meet with us. Any concerns you have regarding your child should be addressed immediately with the member of staff on the door as you drop off or pick up, or with the Head teacher through the School Office. At least one Governor tries to attend as many school events as possible and on top of that each class has a Governor assigned to them so that children are familiar with all the adults working in school and so that governors can learn at close hand what happens daily – as a team we have the whole school covered and feed back to Full Governing Body about what we find out.

Keep an eye on the Blakedown CofE School website for updates in information.
<http://www.blakedowncofeprimary.co.uk>

Looking forward to the second half of the Spring Term and all the opportunities it will contain,

Regards

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