



GOVERNOR'S GAZETTE

AUTUMN /WINTER TERM 2022

Dear Moss Lane Families,

With Christmas now at the forefront of our minds and the school term nearing its end, now is a wonderful time to recognise and reflect on the efforts and successes. Firstly, I sincerely hope that all our reception children, in-year starters, parents and carers, have enjoyed and embraced their time at Moss Lane School, so far. It would certainly seem that children throughout the school, have settled in well and are *Safe, Happy and Aiming High*.

Mrs Abbott and staff have repeatedly reported to governors positively on achievements this term and in particular we would like to congratulate the school on the recent IDSR (Inspection Data Summary Report) results which placed the school in the top 20% of the country. A true accolade! With Ofsted potentially expected to visit in 2023, this is a strong indicator that as a school, we are on the correct course.

What have we done this term?

The Governing body have met several times this term and, as protocol dictates, the School Development Plan has been ratified, providing both the school and Governors with a directive for the current 2022/23 year and beyond. Governors continue to carry out their monitoring responsibilities, with regular meetings held with the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) to understand the different aspects of school life during the working day.

Multi Academy Trust: Over the past year or so, Governors have been investigating the move towards a trust, accelerated by the government's publication of the 'White Paper'. The Godalming Learning Partnership (GLP) have been instrumental in forming a potential trust of 9 local schools, whilst at the same time Governors have of course explored external trusts. Please be assured, no decision have been made and that a full consultation will be undertaken with all our stakeholders. Watch this space.....

In the summer holidays, the mammoth task of amalgamating the library and ICT suite began. The new resource centre now holds reading at both the metaphorical and literal centre of our school, providing a wonderful hub for learning. Thanks go to our reading lead, Ms Betterton and School Business Manager, Ms Ballard, for all their hard work.

New Governors: On behalf of the governing board, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to several new Governors from all of us at Moss Lane School. Kyra Mumford (Parent Governor), Tim Hingston (Co-opted Governor), Faye Messinger (Co- Opted Governor) and Lucy Smith (Staff Governor)

Governor meetings: The Governing Board have now concluded their last meeting this Autumn Term - 7th December (*Children & Learning*). The next Full Governor Meeting (FGB) will be on 11th January 2023.



WHY NOT CONTACT US:

If you wish to contact a governor about anything, you can leave a letter with the school office or email the chair of governors a.boshoff@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk or vice chair a.twaits@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk or Pam Langridge, Clerk to the Governing Board, clerk@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk

BECOMING A GOVERNOR? CONSIDERING BECOMING A PARENT GOVERNOR?

There are currently no Parent Governor vacancies, however I'd be more than happy to have a chat and explain the role to you, should you be considering becoming a governor in the future.

WHO ARE WE:

- **Adam Boshoff** Co-opted community Governor [Chair, Leads on school leadership]
- **Aaron Twaits** Parent Governor [Vice-chair, Leads on Finance/Resources]
- **Victoria Abbott** Headteacher, [Leads on school/governor liaison]
- **Tom Crees** Local Authority Governor - [Leads on Safeguarding]
- **Amy Betterton** Co-opted community Governor [Leads on Educational Development]
- **Nigel Freeman** Parent Governor [Leads on Community & Communication]
- **Mary McAllen** [Leads on Premises and Health & Safety]
- **Kyra Mumford** Parent Governor [Leads on Godalming Learning Partnership Liaison and Stakeholder Well-being]
- **Tim Hingston** Co-opted community Governor [Leads on Curriculum & Enrichment]
- **Faye Messinger** Co-opted community Governor [Leads on SEND, Children's Progress & Attainment]
- **Lucy Smith** Staff Governor [Leads on Staff & Pupil Well-being]

You will no doubt have your child's class Christmas songs repeatedly ringing in your ears already but, like me, excited to see their Christmas performances soon. On behalf of all our governors, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you all very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.



Festive wishes,

Adam Boshoff
Chair of Governors
Moss Lane School
Godalming