

GOVERNORS' NEWSLETTER



Our work this term

Our regular governance meetings have continued in line with Covid guidelines. We have recently reviewed and approved 17 school policies, and governors have completed safeguarding training this term.



We Wish You a Merry Christmas

The Governors would like to wish the whole school community a very merry Christmas and we hope that 2022 will be a happy, healthy and peaceful year for you all.

Award for Governance

We are coming to the end of another term at Caroline Haslett – a term full of eager learners and happy faces. It is wonderful to have the school back to relative normality and a big thank you goes out to all the children, their parents and carers, the teachers and the staff for helping to do this.

This term was also special for our governing board, when we were invited to attend the National Governance Association's (NGA) biennial awards at the House of Commons. These awards are the only national education awards to recognise the contribution of governors and trustees, clerks and lead governance professionals. They provide an opportunity to share the best practice in school and trust governance and demonstrate the positive contribution that good governance makes to the school system and the education of children and young people.

Our Governing Board was presented with an NGA Award for outstanding governance in a single school. It was a lovely occasion and we were very happy to receive this award in recognition of all that the governors have done and continue to do to support the success of our school.



Our Governing Board

Julia Ahulu, Parent governor;
Development Governor; Science;
Creative Arts

Louise Cullen, Staff Governor

Nihar Dey, Parent Governor; Early
Years

Sadia Farooq, Associate Governor;
Safeguarding and Looked After

Andrea Fergusson, Associate
Governor; School Business
Manager

Steven Godfrey, Co-opted
governor; Chair of Resources and
Personnel

Kath Keillor; Co-opted Governor,
MFL; Safer Recruitment; Science;
Chair of Teaching & Learning
Committee

Seyi Oladipo, Co-opted Governor;
Computing & Online-Safety
Governor; Maths

Sandra Ottaway, Co-opted
Governor; Deputy Headteacher

Maddie Palmer, Parent Governor;
Health and Safety and School
Environment

Samantha Potter; Parent governor;
SEND and Vulnerable Pupils

Paul Quinton; Headteacher

Chris Williams, Co-opted
governor; Chair of Governors



Changes to our Governing Board

We would like to extend our thanks to our outgoing governors, Richard Birch and Olesia Cockerill.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a school governor, you can do so here:

<https://www.nga.org.uk/Governance-Recruitment/Be-a-school-governor-or-trustee.aspx>

A Big Thank You to our Friends

Another group who has been working hard for Caroline Haslett this term, is the Friends Committee. In October, they organised a truly spooky Halloween trail around Shenley Lodge. The discos and Movies and Munchies have returned, (hurrah!) and they also organised the fantastic Christmas Markets event on 3rd December which was enjoyed by so many families.

The Friends Committee has worked extremely hard, dedicating much of their free time around work commitments, but they say that to see the excitement on the children's faces after a such a long period of limited opportunities, makes it all worthwhile - with the bonus of raising funds for the school.

There were also many teaching staff as well as committee members working very hard at the Christmas Markets. We would like to send a big thank you to everyone involved, including the parents and carers who came to support the event.

