

SCHOOL SURVEY

Colossians 3:12

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the school survey. We had a very meaningful return from parents, staff and governors. We appreciate that the survey was issued at a time of a great deal of change and we realise that a great deal has been accomplished over the past half term, nevertheless, the major themes were:

- **Communication** – from increasing progress information to notice of events etc. and generally ensuring awareness. The new newsletter had good reviews and we are always mindful of ensuring everyone knows what is going on. Further scope for improvements will be looked at for next term, including the use of Facebook for publicity only, and dissemination of information on the new assessment tools in use. Please also let me have your opinions on our Governor Updates which we aim to issue half termly.
- **Behaviour** – the policy has been updated and put in place. It is being applied consistently across school and will be reconsidered as necessary in light of experience next term.
- **Stability** - of staffing especially, to ensure the best possible provision for the children. The new staff structure, reinstating 4 classes has been provided for from next term which will go a huge way to resolving this concern and we will be striving to instil an excellent team spirit from the off.
- **Links with the Church** – With Rev Jennings’ retirement and the resulting process meaning that we have been without a vicar, contact has been very limited. However we continue to use our contacts to strengthen links where we can, and have recruited three new Foundation governors from local congregations to this end. Chris Owen, the father of two children here and vicar of a local church, has kindly helped out with some assemblies too.

We will be surveying everyone again in the next couple of terms but in the meantime, please do let governors know your views on developments.

GOVERNING BODY ACTIVITY

This term, as well as preparing for and attending governors’ meetings and reviewing survey results governors have, among many activities

- attended meetings with other local schools looking at the options regarding academy status
- attended training led by Bucks Learning Trust and Oxford Diocesan Board of Education.
- helped paint school, helped at Open Farm Sunday and at the school fete
- interviewed staff candidates
- attended the school open day for prospective parents
- carried out Health and Safety walks around school, highlighting any areas of concern.

The minutes of governors’ meetings are available if you would like to see how governors challenge school and develop strategic plans.

PARENT VIEW

Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think about school, from the quality of teaching, to behaviour.

Please do so at

www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

THE GOVERNING BODY

The governing body can be contacted via the school office or at cegovernors@cadmoreend.bucks.sch.uk.

Mrs Emma Leigh <i>Foundation PCC appointed Chair</i> Mum of Naomi, Abigail & Matthew	Mrs Julie Wright <i>Foundation PCC appointed Vice Chair</i>	Mrs Debbie Groom <i>Headteacher Staff Governor</i>	Mrs Alison Bowring <i>Teacher Elected Staff Governor</i>	Mr Alan Lewis <i>Elected Parent Governor Dad of Edward</i>	Mr Malcolm John <i>Local Authority appointed</i>
Mrs Tanya Sims <i>Foundation Diocesan appointed</i>	Mrs Genevieve Owen <i>Foundation Diocesan appointed</i> Mum of Sarah & Emily	Mr Paul Brown <i>Foundation PCC appointed</i>	Mrs Ruth Bugg <i>Foundation PCC appointed</i>	Mr Graham Cartwright <i>Prospective Foundation PCC Vacancy Elected Parent Governor</i>	

We always welcome new governors and currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. We will hold an election in the autumn term. Where we do not have vacancies we look to appoint associate governors. If you or someone you know is interested in the work of the governing body, please speak to one of us.

Dear All

As we approach the end of a challenging academic year the governing body would like to thank all staff and families for their support of school and take the opportunity to reflect, in particular on the church schools and their purpose

‘Church schools are as concerned as any other school to equip pupils for lives marked by rapid change, global competition and insecurity. But Church schools know in their viscera that this is not just about acquiring skills and good examination results. It is about forming people who have the moral strength and spiritual depth to hold to a course and weather ups and downs. It is about forming people who know that economic competition is not more important than family life and love of neighbour, and that technical innovation is not more important than reverence for the beauty of creation. It is about forming people who, however academically and technically skilful, are not reduced to inarticulate embarrassment by the great questions of life and death, meaning and truth. Church schools themselves embody the truth that a context of firm principles suffused by faith and love is the best and right basis for learning and growing.’

The Way Ahead

We continue to strive to live up to these ambitions and the school survey responses detailed overleaf show that all within our community are aware of our aims.

I am sure all parents will join me in expressing appreciation to our staff who have as always made such sterling efforts for our children this year and we aim for a much less stretched year next year.

FACES makes a crucial contribution to school life, its role in our social activities being at least as important as its fundraising given the wide geographical area our community is drawn from. We would like to thank them for their support of school and encourage everyone to get involved.

Finally we would all like to wish Year 6 the very best at ‘big ‘school. We hope they will look back fondly on their time with us. They leave us to go to Great Marlow, Princess Risborough and St. Michaels.

Wishing you a restful summer holiday and we look forward to welcoming families back in September.

Emma Leigh, Chair of Governors

TERM DATES

We believe that the time spent at primary school is as equally important as the secondary school years. Therefore we ask parents to work with us to make sure that their children attend school regularly, arriving punctually and ready to learn.

Please do not take holidays during term time.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-18

INSET DAYS SET: Monday 4 September 2017, Tuesday 5 September 2017, Wednesday 3 January 2018, Thursday 29 March 2018, Monday 4 June 2018.

8.50 Wednesday 6 September 2017	AUTUMN TERM
Friday 20 October 2017	close for half term
Monday 23 October – Friday 27 October 2017	Half term holiday
8.50 Monday 30 October 2017	School reopens
Tuesday 19 December 2017	School closes for Christmas
Wednesday 20 December 2017 – Wednesday 3 January 2018	Christmas Holiday
8.50 Thursday 4 January 2018	SPRING TERM
Friday 9 February 2018	Close at end of afternoon session for half term
Monday 12 February – Friday 16 February 2018	Half term holiday
8.50 Monday 19 February 2018	school reopens
Wednesday 28 March 2018	close for Easter holiday
Thursday 29 March – Friday 13 April 2018	Easter Holiday
8.50 Monday 16 April 2018	SUMMER TERM
Monday 7 May 2018	Bank Holiday
Friday 25 May 2018	Close at end of afternoon session for half term
Monday 28 May 2018 – Monday 4 June 2018	Half term holiday
Tuesday 5 June 2018	school reopens
Tuesday 24 July 2018	Close at end of afternoon session for summer holidays

ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19

RECOMMENDED INSET DAYS: Wednesday 5 September 2018, Wednesday 2 January 2019 and Tuesday 23 April 2019.

Two additional in-service training days will be determined.

8.50 Thursday 6 September 2018	AUTUMN TERM
Friday 19 October 2018	close for half term
Monday 22 October – Friday 26 October 2018	Half term holiday
8.50 Monday 29 October 2018	School reopens
Wednesday 19 December 2018	School closes for Christmas
Thursday 20 December 2018 – Wednesday 2 January 2019	Christmas Holiday
8.50 Thursday 3 January 2019	SPRING TERM
Friday 15 February 2019	Close at end of afternoon session for half term
Monday 18 February – Friday 22 February 2019	Half term holiday
8.50 Monday 25 February 2019	school reopens
Friday 5 April 2019	close for Easter holiday
Monday 8 April – Tuesday 23 April 2019	Easter Holiday
8.50 Wednesday 24 April 2019	SUMMER TERM
Monday 6 May 2019	Bank Holiday
Friday 24 May 2019	Close at end of afternoon session for half term
Monday 28 May – Friday 31 May 2019	Half term holiday
Monday 3 June 2019	school reopens
Wednesday 24 July 2019	Close at end of afternoon session for summer holidays