

‘For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.’ John 3:16

CURRENT ACTIVITY

As always, school is a hive of activity. The children have all been working very hard this term, so we wish you a restful time over the Easter break.

After 13 years dedicated to the school, we wave goodbye to Mrs. Bowring. We wish her all the best in her retirement.

Our new staff, Rachel Croft (in class2) and Gemma Gibbins (in class 4) have settled in well. The year 6s have been working hard and will be taking their SATs during the week beginning 14th May.

We will be interviewing for a part time teacher in class 4 for September to cover the two mornings Gemma will not be working. While schools are generally finding recruitment challenging at present, we are optimistic that we will find the right person for September. We understand the importance of this exercise for parents and pupils alike, and will keep you informed of progress.

For Class 4, thoughts will soon be of the future, be it big school – or the residential trip to Longridge where many fun activities are planned.

The PTA 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. Recent events have included Hot Dog Day, where they raised over £100 and the Easter Egg Hunt. We would like to thank them for their support of school and encourage you all to get involved and look out for all the fun activities they have planned for the summer.

GOVERNING BODY

We have a strong and active governing body, but we are short of a parent governor at the moment. Can you help? We are always looking to provide the school with continuity so that we have a steady stream of governors to replace those retiring. We had no applications in the recent parent governor elections. Another election will be held soon, but if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact any one of us. As a member of the governing body, you acquire a real insight into the workings of a school and dedication of our staff.

Governors are neither professionals nor experts in education. They are a body of local people who represent the public interest in the school’s affairs. They have an essential role in ensuring a direct line of accountability between schools, the church and their local communities. They are responsible for setting the key strategic objectives of a school.

Governors are drawn, in roughly equal shares, from four broad groups of stakeholders in education – parents, school staff, local authority and local community. Some are elected, some appointed by official bodies, some chosen by the governing bodies themselves and some are ex officio. All, except the latter group, have volunteered for the job. All are unpaid.

Of late the governing body has taken part in our regular roles of school visits, checking the health and safety of the school as well as analysing performance and budget data.

If you or someone you know is interested in the work of the governing body, please speak to one of the governors. As always, we are happy to chat in the playground or you can contact us by email: cegovernors@cadmoreend.bucks.sch.uk

Emma Leigh
Chair of Governors

SURVEYS

We are also keen to know what you think about school. Our annual parent survey will be open until **29th April 2018** and is available at the link below. Children’s surveys will take place in school. We are always happy to hear new ideas and ways to improve the school. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NWFFGMD>