

GOVERNOR UPDATE

July 2018

6 Do not worry about anything, but pray and ask God for everything you need, always giving thanks. 7 And God's peace, which is so great we cannot understand it, will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4 v 6&7 (NCV)*

Another school year is drawing to a close and for me it will be sad to see my eldest child leave. It only seems like yesterday they were processing in as little four year olds! The above verse is especially for you older children facing a new challenge. The end of the year is also a chance to reflect on what a busy time it has been and all we have achieved this year. The governors would like to say especial thanks to all the staff who have worked so hard this year. At our latest teaching and learning meeting, we were seeing how much progress all the children have made. Well done staff and well done to the children!

We would also like to thank the FACEs team for all their hard work fundraising for this school. Your work is very much appreciated and allows the school to buy much needed resources.

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 Wycombe High School, Great Marlow, and St. Michaels.

Have an enjoyable and safe summer. We look forward to welcoming years 1-5 back on Thursday September 6th 2018.

Emma Leigh, Chair of Governors

MOVING UP TO SECONDARY SCHOOL

If you are a parent of a year 5 or a year 4 child, you may wish to be aware of the following open evenings for secondary schools. For the current year 4s, it may seem early to think about it at the beginning of year 5, but from experience, the process is quite time pressured and having a bit more time to think about it is no bad thing. Please be mindful of which your catchment area schools are and that free transport (if you are eligible) is only to your nearest secondary school and you must list it first, on the order of preferences, to receive free transport. We are aware that many secondary schools are becoming over subscribed and it is worth doing your research about which school you may be able to achieve a place at. This website, will give you more information:

https://services.buckscc.gov.uk/school-admissions

John Hampden Grammar School - 4 July 2018, 4pm - 8pm
Wycombe High School - 5 July 2018, 4.30pm - 8pm
Icknield Community College - Ring for details (01491) 612691
Royal Grammar School - 17 September 2018, 6pm - 8.30pm
Bourne End Academy - 17 September 2018, 5.30pm - 8pm
Sir William Borlase's Grammar School - 19 September 2018, 4.45pm
Princes Risborough School - 20 September 2018, 5pm - 8pm
St. Michael's Catholic School - 20 September 2018, 4.30pm - 8pm
Cressex Community School - 25 September 2018, 4pm - 7.30pm
Sir William Ramsay School - 26 September 2018, 6pm - 8.30pm
Great Marlow School - 27 September 2018, 5pm - 8pm
The Misbourne School - 27 September 2018, 5pm - 8pm
Highcrest Academy - 4 October 2018, 5pm - 7.30pm
Holmer Green Senior School - 11 October 2018, 9.30am - 11am

The deadline for applications is: 31 October 2018, 3pm

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SCHOOL SURVEY

We have been busy collating the parent surveys you completed earlier this term. The items to come out of it, that governors have discussed so far, are:

Homework:- Should you have any concerns about the amount of homework your child receives, please approach their class teacher. It is not supposed to be a struggle, but a way of being involved in your child's learning. If you have spent a reasonable length of time and not finished, just note in their book or have a word to their teacher. Above all else, we would encourage you to read with your child every day, as this is proven to really improve their learning.

Cover more topics:- As a primary school we run a varied curriculum with several topics and details of the new rolling two year curriculum will be available after the summer

Greater use of the forest school area:- The children use the forest every break and play time at the moment. The only restrictions to its use are when it is really muddy or when we have high winds.

Drop off and pick-up:- Since the survey was taken, pick up of children has evolved slightly and parents are able to congregate in the playground when not picking up their child. If you have any further comments on drop-off or pick-up, we would like to hear your views. Please can we remind parents to watch your children as they enter the school building to make sure they are in safely.

We run an annual survey, but if you have any comments throughout the year, we are always happy to be approached or emailed on: cegovernors@cadmoreend.bucks.sch.uk

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
- helped at Open Farm Sunday and at the school fete
- 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. It is separate to the surveys we run so please do feedback 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 Foundation PCC appointed Chair | Mrs Julie Wright Foundation PCC appointed Vice Chair | Mrs Debbie Groom Headteacher Staff Governor | Mrs Louise Alvarez Teacher Elected Staff Governor | Mr Alan Lewis Elected Parent Governor Dad of Edward | Mr Malcolm John Local Authority appointed |
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| Mum of Naomi, Abigail & Matthew | | | | | |
| Interregnum Incumbent | Mrs Tanya Sims Foundation Diocesan | Mrs Genevieve Owen Foundation Diocesan appointed | Mr Paul Brown Foundation PCC appointed | Mrs Ruth Bugg Foundation PCC appointed | Foundation PCC Vacancy |
| Ex-Officio | appointed | Mum of Sarah & Emily | | | Elected Parent Governor Vacancy |

We always welcome new governors and currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. 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.

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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 | R 2019-20 | | | |
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| RECOMMENDED INSET DAYS: Monday 2 September 2019, Tuesday 3 September 2019, Monday 6 January 2020, | | | | |
| 8.50 Wednesday 4 September 2019 | AUTUMN TERM | | | |
| Friday 25 October 2019 | close for half term | | | |
| Monday 28 October – Friday 01 November 2019 | Half term holiday | | | |
| 8.50 Monday 4 November 2019 | School reopens | | | |
| Thursday 19 December 2019 | School closes for Christmas | | | |
| Friday 20 December 2019 – Monday 6 January 2020 | Christmas Holiday | | | |
| 8.50 Tuesday 7 January 2020 | SPRING TERM | | | |
| Friday 14 February 2020 | Close at end of afternoon session for half term | | | |
| Monday 17 February – Friday 21 February 2020 | Half term holiday | | | |
| 8.50 Monday 24 February 2020 | school reopens | | | |
| Friday 3 April 2020 | close for Easter holiday | | | |
| Monday 6 April – Friday 17 April 2020 | Easter Holiday | | | |
| 8.50 Monday 20 April 2020 | SUMMER TERM | | | |
| Monday 4 May 2020 | Bank Holiday | | | |
| Friday 22 May 2020 | Close at end of afternoon session for half term | | | |
| Monday 25 May –Friday 29 May 2020 | Half term holiday | | | |
| Monday 1 June 2020 | school reopens | | | |
| Tuesday 21 July 2020 | Close at end of afternoon session for summer holidays | | | |
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