



# GOVERNORS NEWSLETTER

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## Message from Governors

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know the Governors completed a 'Look at Learning' on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February. Six Governors spent the morning in school with three on each campus. We talked to children, parents and staff freely moving throughout the school and Little Learners. We had a set of questions to help focus our monitoring. Some Governors who could not attend the day asked questions of children and other parents at home.

Thank you to all parents who gave us their time on the morning. It was a really useful opportunity for us to develop our relationship with you. The main role of governors is to challenge and support the school to ensure we provide the very best for our families.

I am sure you will be glad, and not surprised, to know that the overwhelming conclusion was that our school is a very effective learning community. Children and staff could identify exciting learning opportunities over recent weeks and they also had good self-knowledge of their own learning needs. There was a strong feeling of learning together, sharing knowledge and expertise with high expectations of all.

Parents felt that information was shared effectively using a wide variety of social media. They were very happy with learning review meetings and felt a part of their child's education.

As with any monitoring, there will always be questions raised. You will already see that concerns about parents needing support with helping their children with maths has been addressed by Mrs Dadds as you have all received a booklet about how maths is taught at St Anne's. The phonics evening was clearly a great success and helped a lot of parents. Staff will be discussing the use of the partnership book to clarify its use in school.

Here are some quotes to show the overwhelming support for our wonderful school.

'I am really happy with the school and have always felt that communication is good.'

'Learning review meetings are great! I love the Class page! I like the values sheet - perseverance is rife in our house!'

'Phonics meeting in Busy Bees was great! Really helpful.'

'Spot on!' 'Awesome!' 'Brilliant!' 'Very happy with the school.' 'Lovely teacher.' 'I think they do a great job!'

The Governors agree with these statements. We are very proud of our school and will continue to ensure it continues to grow as we move into the next exciting phase as part of The Priory Learning Trust.

Happy Easter to you all  
Lesley Millard  
Chair of Governors