## **Stannington Infant School**



# **Governor Newsletter**

### Welcome to our Summer Term Governor Newsletter

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Chair of Governors Vice Chair of Governors Co-opted Governor Co-opted Governor Local Authority Governor Parent Governor Parent Governor Staff Governor Associate Governor

#### Meet the governors:

Parent governor Tim Hull, reflects on his first year in the role.

With 2 kids at Stannington, and another due to join in a couple of years I was keen to understand the workings of the school, and also help in any way I could. Many years ago, I did my degree in primary school education but found a career in sales far less stressful than that in a classroom. Being a school governor combined my interest in both education and how business / organisations run. I sit on the Resources Committee and we meet every couple of months or so to discuss and agree the school budget. The board are very welcoming to new governors, and there is training available if required, but the key attribute as I was told before I started is to be a "Critical Friend" and offer opinion when needed.

#### Visits to school:

- Governors have attended an art exhibition by the schools art club.
- Governors attended parents evenings and chatted to parents as well as gathering parents views through the two stars and a wish system.
- There have also been visits to look at special needs, online safety and health and safety.
- One governor has been involved in the planning of work to refurbish the toilets.
- Two governors met with Mrs Fisher to

#### **Governor meetings:**

- Some of the school's policies that governors have looked at are the SEND, Sex and Relationships, Literacy, GDPR and .Health and Safety policies.
- Governors have learnt about how certain subjects are delivered including computing and science.
- Governors have looked at maths and literacy books and have been able to see progression in the children's learning.

"A Friendly, Creative, Environment for Learning Together."

- To provide a challenging, creative and rich curriculum which will develop curiosity, confidence and independence.
- To provide an inclusive, safe, secure, healthy and happy environment.
- To encourage a caring and positive attitude amongst the children towards all others and their environment.

The governors would like to thank all staff for their hard work this year and would like to wish all staff, parents and pupils a happy and restful summer break.