

## GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN TERM 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

How quickly this year is going and we find ourselves in October with the school year well under way. On behalf of the Governors, we would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new children and their families to the school, as well as welcoming back all those continuing at Forton School.

Reports from the school and governor visits show that the school year has started extremely positively, the children have settled well and appear happy, a necessity if teaching and learning is to be successful.

As school governors we are responsible for the vision and strategic direction of Forton Primary. We hold the Headteacher to account for how well pupils achieve and progress educationally, and for the quality of teaching. We also oversee how the school spends its money, making sure the school stays in budget and receives value for money.

A full list of governors on the school board can be found on the school website, along with information regarding their specific roles and responsibilities.

If you would like to know a little more about the role of the Governing Board, please contact us.

Hope you have had a good half term break

Peter Taylor (Chair of Governors)  
Ruth Ross (Vice Chair of Governors)

### Recent Activities

- Held a Full Governing Board meeting – Summer term
- Held a Standards and Effectiveness meeting
- Held Governor sub-committee meetings
- Received an update on the School Improvement Plan (SIP)
- Received the headteacher's report and assessment report
- Carried out link governor visits and monitoring at school
- Carried out a self-assessment of the effectiveness of the governing board

### Planned Activities

During the Autumn term, the Governing Board will:

- With the headteacher, review and approve the updated School Improvement Plan against Self Evaluation priorities
- Receive subject leaders reports and participate in visits as outlined in the monitoring timetable
- Prepare for and attend formal meetings as detailed on right



### Autumn Meeting Dates

Standards, Teaching and Learning  
Committee Meeting  
**11<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Resources Committee Meeting  
**2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023**

Full Governing Board (FGB)  
Meeting  
**30<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

Standards and Effectiveness  
Committee Meeting  
**14<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

### Governor Updates

Whilst the governing board has its full complement of parent governors, there is a vacancy for a co-opted governor. If you would like to explore becoming a school governor, please contact either the Chair, Vice Chair or the Headteacher.

### How to contact us

If you would like to contact the Chair or Vice Chair of Governors to raise any issue in confidence, you can do so either by letter or email via the school of