



Edenham CE Primary School



Governor Newsletter, January 2017

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Welcome back to school and we hope that you have all had a wonderful Christmas and wish everyone a Happy and Peaceful New Year.

It hardly seems any time at all since we were enjoying all the Christmas events at school; I particularly loved the Carol Service in the beautiful church. What an array of talent we have at Edenham! Who knew that you could pack so much variety into one service?

The Key Stage 2 children gave us a very enjoyable Tudor Christmas, and the Reception and Year 1 children performed their Nativity- always a highlight in every parent and child's school career. Our thanks to all the staff who put their heart and soul into helping the children prepare for these.

If you don't already, I would highly recommend looking at both the school's Twitter feed, Facebook page or website where there are always photographs and updates of what is going in school.

At the end of November we also enjoyed (well almost,) our Section 48 Church School Inspection, thank you to all the parents who came to meet the Inspector. It was truly wonderful to see so many of you and, the inspector was left in no doubt as to how much the school is appreciated and enjoyed; Thankyou!

The pupils were outstanding in their conduct and the way in which they shone during the day, and the Inspector was of course most impressed.

Staff and Governors were delighted to be recognized as OUTSTANDING in the aspect of 'Meeting the Needs of All Pupils, Through its Christian Character'. The other two areas recognized key strengths particularly in community links, Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Learning, and the quality of teaching and learning across the curriculum including in RE.

On to the term ahead, we look forward enjoying a little more stability as we settle into being an academy and enjoy the benefits of increased support from the LAAT. From a governor perspective this will include up to date training on the role of Governance for an academy. We will let you know in due course how this is being undertaken and the benefits it will bring the school. Nicola and Kris have both undertaken a variety of training and are most positive about it. This term we will be establishing a new School Development Plan reflecting a clear focus on continuing to ensure all pupils can meet the best potential whilst also addressing areas such as challenges in education budgets and a new staff appointment into the EYFS.

From a personnel perspective, we are very pleased to welcome Kris back into school full-time; her phased return was managed beautifully, with the strong support from both Sian Hawes, Jim Shore and all staff, however, it is wonderful to see her back and with her usual enthusiasm and boundless energy.

As ever should you wish to contact either me or any member of the Governing Body, we can be contacted through the school office or by email governors@edenham.lincs.sch.uk

I look forward to seeing you throughout the term,

Sukey Brewster
Chair to the Governing Body