

*Our Kingsholm family, learning successfully together to make a positive contribution to our world  
(School vision)*

**Kingsholm C of E Primary School**  
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**This terms value is Friendship**

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### **Dear Parents/Carers**

Hello and welcome to the second edition of Kingsholm's Governor newsletter



#### **Calling all parents!**

By now you will probably all have received information about the vacancy for a **New Parent Governor**. We want to encourage all parents and carers to think about standing for this post as your views and perspective are an important part of our governing body, to make sure that all our children receive the best education possible at Kingsholm.

The role of a school governor is demanding sometimes but very rewarding and it is a really good way to 'give back' to your local community. The governing body is committed to ensuring that governors receive training to carry out their role

As governors we work with Mrs Buckland and Mr Ferris to help set the schools aims and policies and vision, look at how the school ensures the best possible education for all our children and oversees the finances of the school.

If you think you could be a parent governor or are just interested to find out more about the job please get in touch with us –via the school reception or the clerk to the governors at [admin@kingsholm.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kingsholm.gloucs.sch.uk)

Nomination/self-nomination forms must be received by 12:00 noon on Thursday 15th September 2016. The date of the first Governing Body meeting will be held on Monday 26th September.

#### **Governors work this year**

During this year the governors have been working on several areas. We have been pleased that the new building has been so successful – as always there are small teething troubles with big projects such as this, but these are being addressed and we would like to thank Mr Baldock and his team for all their hard work with the new building.

Governors have carried out several monitoring visits looking at a wide variety of areas – including looking at how the school has worked on the new National Curriculum and how the school has developed its own robust assessment methods to help them track all the children's progress and to ensure that all pupils can access the right work for them.

We are also pleased to see how committed the school is to engaging parents in the life of the school. We hope to see this partnership work continue to expand over the next year.

In our last meeting Governors discussed the school's operational plan for next year – which lays out the school's priorities. We also discussed the schools plans to revisit its vision and aims and its plans to talk to all the different groups in school to ensure that this reflects everyone's thoughts. So get ready for September when your ideas will be asked for!

Finally we would like to continue from our last newsletter and introduce some more of our governors – here we concentrate on our current Parent Governors!

Perhaps they will inspire you to put your name forward to join our governing body!

**(picture)**

**Sharon Davis** I have been a Governor since June 2013. I have 2 children that attend the school, currently in Y3 and Y6. I have always been interested in children's development and have a particular interest in ensuring the education is fair and improves year on year. Being a governor also satisfies my curiosity about what makes the school tick and contribute my ideas. My children are happy at school and I have been impressed with the teaching, supportive environment and inspiration that the school has provided the children with and wanted to give something back.

**(picture)**

**Alison Kite** I have been a governor for 3 years and have had 2 children go through the school from Reception to Year 6. Both my children were happy during their time at Kingsholm, it is a very friendly and supportive school with lots going on and has great pastoral care. I am particularly interested in how the school monitors the children's progress and how it communicates with parents.

**(picture)**

**Sophie Kingscote** I have been a governor since November 2015. I work as a secondary school teacher and have a son in Year 1. I was interested in becoming a school governor and help with supporting the school's ambition to enable children to fulfil their potential, recognising that happy, confident children grow into self-assured, capable young people.

Being a Parent Governor gives me the opportunity to share my belief in a fantastic school and its values, as well as playing a more active supportive role in its continued success.

**(Picture)**

**Emma Dalziel** I work as a manager within a Risk department of a local bank head office and have work there for 13 years. I am committed to ensuring that children have the best possible support and education from the school and want to make a difference in our community.

I myself was a pupil at Kingsholm and want the pupils now to have the same happy memories and experiences I did.

As the school year comes to a close we hope that all the children have enjoyed a happy busy year at Kingsholm and that you have learnt lots of new skills and gained even greater confidence in yourselves and your abilities and talents! The governing body have really enjoyed visiting school this year, meeting you and finding out about all the things that work together to make Kingsholm such a great place to learn.

We want to wish you all a very happy holiday and both look forward to welcoming back reception to year 5 children in September and wishing all our year 6 leavers a very happy and successful future in your new schools.

Wishing you all a great summer break!