

We are fast approaching the summer holidays and this school year again seems to have flown by really quickly. On behalf of all the Governors, I would like to thank Mrs Edwards and all the teaching and support staff who have once again worked so hard in delivering such positive results for Bankwood Community Primary School.

During the past year, we have welcomed new governors onto our board. They have brought various talents to our team and are keen to get involved in all aspects of school life. It is so important to have a good mix of skills on our governing board and we are privileged to have expertise in such areas as education, personnel, business and finance.

The two key aspects of governance centre on School Improvement and Standards and Finance and Resources. Whilst these groups are a major part of school life, it is worth noting that governors take on additional responsibilities in areas such as Health & Safety, Safeguarding, Special Needs Support and Reading Support, to name just a few.

Our governors also attend school doing learning walks and focusing on key areas of the school curriculum. I would assure all parents that all Bankwood governors take their responsibilities extremely seriously and are committed to working with our Head Teacher and all staff in ensuring the ongoing success of our very special school.

It is now more than two years since we had our last Ofsted inspection. We should expect a visit from Ofsted any time in the new school year. I hope everyone will rise to the occasion and ensure a successful result when the time comes. At the last inspection, the inspectors were clearly impressed with our children, and the overall inspection agreed with our own evaluation that we are a good school. Inspectors commented *"Pupils love school and are very proud to be there. They feel very safe and happy in the stability and support the school provides for them. They quickly develop into confident young people."* Ofsted March 2016. Let's ensure this happens again when the time comes!

In closing, I would draw your attention to our newly designed school website which I think looks really amazing. We have already had some positive feedback from people who have visited the site and like its fresh and inviting design. The strap line under our school logo sums up what we are about..... Pride, Progress and Responsibility

It all starts again in September!

Kind Regards

Peter Dickson

Chair of Governors