

GOVERNORS' BLOG – MARCH 2023

What a few weeks it has been since just before Christmas. All parents will be aware of the excellent report we have received from Ofsted who visited the school just prior to the Christmas period. Well done to all our staff for their hard work, it is great to have this validated by an external body. Also thank you to our Headteacher, Mrs Boughen and her Leadership Team for preparing and guiding us at the school, so we were able to showcase to Ofsted some of the excellent work the school undertakes on a daily basis. What we also must not forget, are the children who wowed the Inspector with their love of reading and also the parents who took the time and effort to submit their views of the school to Ofsted. Governors also took part in the process responding to questions from the Inspector on the work of the Board and the school's progress and plans that are in place. Thank you to everyone involved.

Our work though continues as Mrs Boughen guides Whittlefield on our school improvement journey. The Board regularly review our plans and progress at each of its meetings. On the 3rd of March, Governors also received presentations from Mr Wood and Mrs Brindle who both outlined the work that is being undertaken across school in Maths and English and I would like to thank them both for their time and efforts. This work is having a real impact on the children and is encouraging both their love of books and maths.

Following the resignation of Mr Wood, we have also been pleased to welcome Mr Andy Martin to the membership of the Board. Andy is a recently retired Primary Headteacher from the Oswaldtwistle area and I am sure he will add value to the work of the Board as an experienced education professional in the primary area. As a new Governor Andy will be invited to provide a "blog" where he will have the opportunity to tell you more about himself and his background.