

Governors' Annual Report 2018

Turton & Edgworth



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Welcome to our fourth Governors' Annual Report

We are a vibrant village school and our mission statement is for all to grow together with grace, humility and respect for others. We value our partnerships with parents, guardians and carers, the churches of St. Anne's, St. James and Edgworth Methodist Church and the wider community.

Governors and staff are committed to the development of the whole child with a curiosity and love of learning, where they acquire key skills through a broad curriculum. Governors with staff have promoted the enrichment of the school grounds for teaching and learning outside the classroom. They have encouraged the development of a broad array of school clubs and inter-school sporting participation. They have overseen improvements in the front entrance designed to enhance safeguarding. This is balanced with our school maintaining strong academic attainment, with children making good progress as recorded in standardised tests.

The Governors' Annual Report summarises the key outcomes from the last school year and looks ahead at the priorities the governors and senior leadership team have set for the year ahead.

Following positive feedback last year to the shorter e-report we have continued that approach again this year. We have also increased our communication throughout the year with termly updates and the start of governor drop-ins which we wish to continue this year.

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Julian Clissold

Chair of Governors on behalf of the Governing Body

School Priorities 2017/2018

Over the last school year, we have delivered strongly against the priorities set in the School Development Plan. Our key achievements were:

- Appointing Craig Wheatley as our new Head Teacher in January 2018.
- Supporting the new Head Teacher in the restructure of the Senior Leadership Team, including
 - The appointment of Vicky Carr as Deputy Head Teacher
 - The appointment of Sarah Jackson as Business Manager.
 - The appointment of Charlotte Partington as Key Stage 1 Leader and Robyn Valentine as Key Stage 2 Leader.
- Successfully completing the front entrance project during the summer break, on time and within budget.
- Gaining a school Eco Award – an internationally recognised award for excellence in environmental action and learning.
- School has focused on the mental health and well-being of pupils and staff and this will continue into the new year. Staff have undergone training in coaching and a Mental Health Leader will be appointed to ensure best practice is embedded.
 - A culture of tolerance prevails at school and is regularly promoted as a way of living. Focus on this area will continue, particularly through the RE curriculum, as school is committed to getting this right.
 - The addition of artificial grass on the infants' playground and the reading area at the top of the hill behind school has further enhanced our outdoor spaces to the benefit of pupils and staff. Work has also been carried out to improve the wildlife garden and drainage on the main field. The governors are pleased that Brian Hodgkiss has joined the Premises Committee to add his extensive knowledge and skills.
- Each classroom now has a reflection area and amongst other improvements to the use of indoor space, a room in the lower juniors is now dedicated to interventions for SEN children. Further improvements are currently being planned.
 - Additional staff training and direction is ensuring that early interventions are being made across Reading, Writing and Maths to ensure children are making good progress. These objectives will carry through into 2018-2019.
 - The appointment of a Data Governor has allowed a clearer approach to data oversight which in turn has led to identification of areas of future focus.
 - School and governors supported a parent group who successfully secured access for Edgworth children into the secondary school of their choice.

School Priorities 2018/2019

**The Governing Body has approved this year's School Improvement Plan.
The key priorities for 2018/9 are:**

- To ensure that the school's staffing structure continues to be fit for purpose and the long term financial position of the school is secure.
- To continue to improve the levels of attainment and progress in writing.
- To continue to set high standards and aspirations for our teaching staff.
- To improve social, emotional and mental health in school for children and adults.
- To further develop our Christian distinctiveness.

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