



## Pinner Wood Governing Body Newsletter - July 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now approaching the end of a very eventful and exciting year! As governors, it has been a busy time with lots to do this year!

In this term's newsletter, we will give you an overview of what the governors have been working on over the last academic year. Our role as a governing body is to make sure the long-term vision of the school is in place, to ask questions about the plans, budgets and performance and to ensure we stay on track.

We work with Miss Marriott and her team to align our school improvement plans and to review the results at the end of each year. Below is a quick review of what we have worked on this year:

Priority	Progress
<b>Support the school in the successful return to site</b>	Now we are back it seems as if we have never been away! However earlier in the year we worked hard alongside Miss Marriott to ensure the council got us back on time. We increased our coverage in the local press so the local community knew we were back! We have had visits from our current Harrow Chief Executive, Tom Whiting, our MP Nick Hurd and our previous Chief Executive Michael Lockwood.
<b>School strategy</b>	We have reviewed our long-term plans. As you know, we are an Outstanding school, but we are not complacent and are always looking for areas to improve.
<b>Recruit new governors</b>	We have a really supportive governing body who often go beyond their role to support the school. This year we recruited 3 new parent governors. It is great to see we have such an engaged parent community!
<b>New school website</b>	We hope you have been finding the new website and Twitter accounts useful and find it a helpful way for the school to stay in touch.
<b>School Survey</b>	We run this every two years to ensure our plans are on track. Thank you to everyone who completed the survey. We received a lot of positive feedback from both the parents/carers and pupils.

<b>30 hours nursery offering</b>	This has been a great success and we are really excited that the Children's centre has been returned to the school. Work is already underway to have this ready to use next term.
<b>Pupil achievement</b>	We review pupil attainment data termly with the school and we are so pleased with our Phonics/KS1 and KS2 SATs results. We achieved an amazing 93% for pupils meeting the expected target (National Average is 64%, last year's result was 91%).
<b>Curriculum visits</b>	This year we have been in school to see the new Maths and English Comprehension interventions in place and to see the results.
<b>GDPR - new privacy legislation</b>	It's important that we comply with regulation and keep personal data safe. We worked alongside the school to ensure we had the right processes in place as the rules changed in May.
<b>Attendance</b>	This is still strong at 96.3%, just missing our target of 97%, we know that our parents have worked hard to help the school achieve this. Thank you.
<b>Resources and Budget</b>	We approve and review the budget every term and recent feedback from the local authority has reassured us that this is very well managed.
<b>Building works and Health and Safety</b>	We are working with the council on plans to complete the expansion works/internal improvements. We have been working through the National Safety Certification Scheme for Schools, to renew our SafetyMARK certificate, to ensure 'excellent' safety standards.
<b>New payment system</b>	You will have seen that the school is implementing a new payment system next term which will be make it easier for you and for the school office.

If you would like more information about the Governing Body, what we do, our plans and our committees, this is all available on the school [website](#) or get in touch via our email address [governors@pinnerwood.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:governors@pinnerwood.harrow.sch.uk)

Finally, a few thank you' s...

- Well done to Miss Marriott who has completed her first year in the job as our new Headteacher and it has been such an amazing year. We know all our staff go above and beyond for Pinner Wood so a big thank you to you all!
- We are all so proud of our Year 6 pupils and the staff who have worked incredibly hard to achieve these results - well done to all and good luck in your new schools.
- Friends of Pinner Wood - thanks to Emma, Jenny and Daniela who have worked tirelessly to support and fundraise for the school - the highlight this year has to be our new playground equipment.

Have a restful and enjoyable summer!

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