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Message from the Governors of Three Bridges Primary School – June 2022

Dear parents and carers,

On behalf of the Governors I wanted to give you a brief update as to what we have been doing coming out of unprecedented times due to COVID-19.

Since returning to the school, with robust measures to curtail further COVID outbreaks, the staff have been working tirelessly to compensate for the gaps in schooling the children have missed. Both the lower and upper sites are already seeing children make good progress in catching up to the expected levels. As Governors we monitor this closely. Recently we attended a training session on Data, where the collection, interpretation and results of the most current figures were shown. The Governing Body are assured that the school continues to have solid plans in place to drive forward and continue improving.

The Governing Body is made up from members of the community, parents, teaching staff and the local authority. One of the aims since COVID -19 was for the Governors to be more visible. This is being addressed in the following ways:

- There are current details of each member including, names, pictures and a short biography on the school website.
- There are names and pictures of all members on display in the reception areas of both the lower and upper sites.
- You may have noticed in the last month or so Governors have been shadowing SLT staff on the gates once a week. The Governors are identifiable by an orange lanyard when on school property in their role. We encourage that if you have any questions, want to find out more about our role or just want to say hello please come and introduce yourselves and we will be happy to chat to you.

Due to the pandemic, Governor School visits had been curtailed, however these were restarted as soon as physically practical. Recently these visits have focussed on SEND, safeguarding, disadvantaged pupils, early reading/phonics and how the children perceive the school would respond to any cases of bullying.

In the last few months, we have completed an anonymous staff survey to get a view from everyone working at TBPS about how they feel working at the school. The results have been scrutinised by the Governors and then a further survey sent clarifying some points. Staff will be updated with how feedback will be dealt with going forward.

Our primary focus remains, (and always will remain), with the children at Three Bridges Primary School. We assure you the Senior Leadership team and Governors, through termly reports, visits, surveys and feedback are continuing to monitor the impact of the current teaching and school work on both teachers and pupils.

The upcoming Queens Platinum Jubilee promises to be an exciting time for the children at TBPS and we look forward to seeing how your children celebrate this occasion with their street parties from the various decades. Hope they all have great fun.

Paul Tarran, Co-Vice Chair

On behalf of the TBPS Governing board.



