



JULY 2024 GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER

SUMMER TERM 2024

BY HELEN NURSE

It's the end of another year! What a great year again it has been at Statham,

As a governing board we would like to say thank you to all the staff, parents and pupils for making this school such a special place. We all love being part of the school community and every governor has such overwhelmingly positive comments following visits into school this year.

We have summarised some of these comments and governor work below.

We would like to extend our thanks and congratulations to the staff who have helped the school to realise some notable achievements.

Recent awards and achievements which we commend staff on include...

- Committed to Inclusion award, from Warrington Borough Council (for the second year running)
- School Games Gold Award
- Opal Play Gold Award
- Warrington Guardian 'Teacher of the Year' for Jon Leatherbarrow

We have also loved seeing.....

- Summer festival fair in partnership with Lymm festival.
- MayQueen parade and contributions.
- Numerous sporting competitions and achievements from various year groups.
- School trips; both locally and internationally!

STATHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNORS

Helen Nurse, Chair

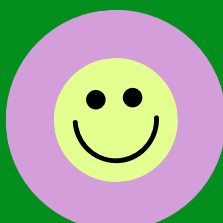
Simon Howorth, Vice-Chair and link governor for curriculum

Elizabeth Simmons, Link governor for safeguarding, SEN and pupil premium

Tim Beardmore, Link governor for health & safety

Tracy Kinsella, Link governor for early reading

Emma Thompson, Staff governor



THANK YOU AND GOODBYE

We would like to offer our congratulations to Mrs Waldron for securing her new appointment as Headteacher at Thelwall Junior School. We are sad to see her leave Statham and will miss her in our school community, but we are thrilled and wish her the greatest success for her next adventure!

Mrs Waldron has been a valued member of our school community for a long time and we would like to extend our thanks from the governing board to her for her commitment and dedication over the years.

We look forward to seeing her do so many more great things for children and teachers in the local community.



GOODBYE TO GOVERNORS



We are also sad to be saying goodbye to two of our governors; Jill Elston and Linda Murdoch. Both leave the school as their roles in the local churches they work in have come to an end.

We would like to give our sincere thanks to both Jill and Linda for their hard work, commitment and dedication to the Statham school community.

Jill has given a great deal as community engagement governor; making many visits to school and engaging with both children and parents.

Linda has done a lot of work supporting the wellbeing of both staff and pupils and ensuring that the wellbeing objectives of the school are delivered. She has made regular visits to the school; both in her role as link governor and delivering 'Open the Book' sessions for children. Linda recently arranged for a court visit for year 6 children and her feedback on this visit is included below.

We wish both Jill and Linda all the best for the future and thank them for their hard work and support.

We are currently in the process of recruiting replacement governors and will provide an update for these successful appointments in the Autumn term.

GOVERNOR NEWS AND UPDATES

THE BEAM TRUST

In May, Statham governors were invited to the 3rd Year birthday celebration event for The Beam Trust. We watched an inspiring and motivational presentation by Joe Sparks who talked about making big differences in small ways in education.

There has continued to be much collaborative working across all the schools in the trust, including teachers, staff and governors. And the sharing of training, best practice and resources has been incredibly successful for all schools.

The Beam Trust continues to encourage sharing a common vision and values; whilst each school maintains its individual ethos, management and operations. If you have any questions about The Beam Trust please do contact us

CURRICULUM VISITS

Simon Howorth visited school and reviewed a large number of resources, strategies and platform used to deliver learning and help with curriculum delivery. Simon also spoke to children and staff and observed lunch and playtime. Simon commented on the newley developed and improved outdoor area;

"all children were engaged in the many different play areas. This has clearly been well thought out and has evolved over the years so that now children have a huge variety of areas and activities they can play in. It was nice to see the different year groups mixing with each other too."

MOCK TRIAL EVENT FEEDBACK

The following formed part of feedback from one of our governors, Linda Murdoch who was involved in this event in Warrington:

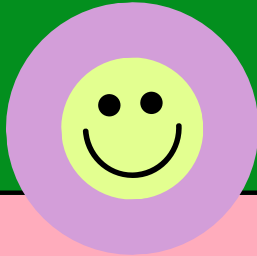
"I just want to say how proud I am of the year 6 children who took part in today's event at Court. They behaved impeccably and responded to the requirements of Court by being respectful and mature. It was great to see the level of commitment and the work they had all put in. As this was the first time doing this for the team, and the first in a long time at Warrington, we were unsure just how engaged the children would be with the process. The standard from all those involved, however, far exceeded our expectations. Many thanks for your time, encouragement and support. Well Done Statham!"

Linda Murdoch



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SOME OF THE THINGS THAT THE GOVERNORS HAVE DONE IN THE LAST TERM...

Curriculum visits, learning about resources and learning taking place and reviewing strategies being used.

Speaking to children about their learning and school day, what they enjoy and being shown their work and achievements.

Reviewing play and outside areas and seeing children in live play environments during lunchtime play sessions.

Supporting with marketing and promotional strategies and implementations to help with pupil recruitment.

Mock trail with year 6 pupils

Visited for sports day and assist sports ambassadors with race organisation at the finish line and on the house score board.

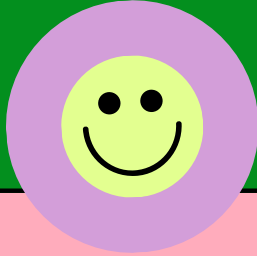
Support for headteacher and senior leadership team

Working with other schools in the trust to share ideas and best practice



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Lastly we would like to say goodbye and good luck to our Year 6 pupils. We wish them all the best for their next adventures.

Thank you to all parents and carers and if you are leaving the school community, with no siblings in lower years, then we hope you will stay in touch.

**WISHING YOU ALL A
HAPPY, HEALTHY
AND RESTFUL
SUMMER BREAK.**

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER..

