

St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School In faith and love, we learn and grow



Governor Newsletter Autumn 2022 (Issue 3)

Message from Mike O'Donovan (Chairman)

Another term comes to an end and I must say how wonderful the children were when performing in their Nativity (KS1) and Advent Reflection (KS2) performances, they were a joy to watch and provided a lovely start to the Christmas season.

We are expecting the appointment of a new Foundation Governor shortly, once full approval has been received from the Diocese. For your information our Local Governing Committee consists of six Foundation Governors, two Staff Governors and two Parent Governors. Appointments are for a period of 4 years and can be renewed following due process!

We are looking forward to the arrival of the new Outdoor Classroom in the KS2 playground, with construction starting when school resumes in January! We continue to investigate the creation of a Multi Use Games Area (MUGA), for which we hope to receive some support from Xavier CET. If any parent has experience of applying for Sports Grants etc, please do contact the school office or myself, any help would be greatly received.

We continue to support the school minibus, which sadly broke down just before one trip, but a new battery solved the issue! A big thank you to Mr Davey for sorting that out!

Finally, please do enjoy the Christmas break and May Gods blessing be with you all.

Governor Activities during the Autumn Term

During the Autumn term we have attended a number of training courses including being Ofsted ready and asking great questions. We have made visits to the school; joining an assembly, meeting with Mrs Grace to discuss the School Development Plan and the Curriculum. We also conducted the termly Safeguarding and Health and Safety reviews

Mr Davey has also taken the year 6 children to a music workshop at Salesian school and children to a number of sporting fixtures including Football and Netball tournaments.

Governors School Development Fund

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all the parents and carers who make voluntary contributions to the Governors School Development Fund. Many schools have a Governors voluntary fund which helps raise much needed money to improve the quality of provision for all pupils.



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This term the fund has paid for a gardener to maintain our new Creation Garden. The gardener will come on a weekly basis to ensure the upkeep of the garden so that it can be enjoyed during the different seasons and for years to come. The school council are planning how the garden will be used and are preparing a survey for all children to provide their feedback.







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Contributions to the Governors fund can be made by standing order or one off payments. Standing orders can be set up online with your bank or you can complete the attached standing order mandate and return to the School Office.

The bank details for the Governors School Development Fund are:

- St Hugh of Lincoln Primary School Governors
- Lloyds Bank PLCSort code: 30-90-90
- Account number: 35608268

We would really appreciate it if you could in any way offer a small donation on a regular monthly basis or a one off payment, it would be so beneficial to our children.

If you are a UK tax payer your donation can be boosted by Gift Aid Boost (25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate), please see attached declaration form.

Parent Engagement

Governors welcome your feedback and comments. We will be sending out a Parent and Carer engagement survey in the near future. In the meantime if you have any comments or feedback please email them to Mike O'Donovan modonovan@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk

Safeguarding

As part of his role as Safeguarding and Child Protection Governor Mike meets with Mrs Grace, the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead to undertake a termly review meeting of the school's safeguarding process. Mike O'Donovan can be contacted on the following email modonovan@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk