



'Learning how to fly together'

Spring Term 2022

Governor Newsletter

Welcome to the Town Field Primary Governing Body Newsletter

Who are the Governing Body?

Governors are volunteers who have the overall responsibility for the running of the school. Governors consider Town Field Primary a very special place where teachers and staff (led by the Head) work hard all year round to ensure all pupils have the best opportunity to succeed - not just academically but in becoming well rounded members of the community.

This term the ten governors on the governing body continue to represent the school in a variety of ways. Currently the school serves 460 children from our community and as always, all governors continue to support in assisting all our children have the best teaching and learning experiences possible.

Governor Focus Michelle Martin

“I am an English Teacher who is all about inspiring learning. I am currently working as a SEND Teacher, an area I have worked in before and thoroughly enjoy. I believe education is for everyone and am passionate about innovation and inclusion.” I have been a Parent Governor at Town Field Primary School since 2018 and have recently applied to run for a second term. I have a son with SEND in Year 4 who loves the school and is thriving in the nurturing environment that school provides. As a Parent Governor I have a strong understanding of whole school vision, ethos, and strategic developments. I understand the role the governing body has in reaching the wider community and am always happy to support school in reaching these goals. I am the link governor for SEND which I am very proud to be and also chair the resources committee. I love coming into school and supporting on trips whenever I can.

Town Field Primary is such a wonderful school. It has amazing senior leadership, teaching staff and support staff who are always wonderful to be around and to spend time with. Every student in school is special and it is a pleasure to be a small part of a great team.

Things to celebrate in school this term:

Mental Health Week - Many thanks to all teachers involved in putting on some fantastic events for parents to attend with children over the week.

World Book Day – Well done everyone, there were some fabulous costumes around school and the children never fail to surprise with their choice of authors and books.

The Family Reading Project – back by popular demand and led by Miss D’Rozario. If it is as successful as last year, governors cannot wait to see everyone’s creations.

Sponsored Walk – Well done all year groups who took part, a fantastic amount was raised for the Children’s Hospital.

Red Nose Day – Another wonderful cause and I know another wonderful amount of money was raised for another great cause, thank you for all your support.

School Visits - This term has also seen quite a few school visits take place, it's brilliant to see the children being able to get out and about and go to places they have never experienced before.

The Sand House Anthology

Some of our children celebrated the book launch of the Sand House Anthology at Balby library. It contains writing and artwork from our Y4 children. We are very proud to have published authors at Town Field!

Thank you to published author and parent governor Phil Sheppard for organising the event and putting together the anthology



Work of Governors this term:

Governors this (Spring) term have been looking at the following;

Continued monitoring of the school budget - in particular the costs of school trips, breakfast club costs and other rising costs.

Staff training to ensure it is beneficial to all staff and improving their teaching skills.

Focusing on writing for 'Governor week' as this is still a priority area in school. This saw governors coming into school and sitting in on lessons that were focused on 'pathways to write'. It was wonderful to see how the children were responding to this new writing initiative. It is sure to be a success.

Full Governing Body – This was the first opportunity to welcome new parent governors onto the governing body and discuss all elements regarding school.

Rose Learning Trust

We are looking ahead as a school to next term when we anticipate that we will be joining the Rose Learning Trust and becoming a member of that Trust as a fully academised school. We look forward to sharing an update with everyone about that next Term. As you may know the school has developed a close working relationship with Rose Learning Trust (RLT) over the past couple of years and are already an Associate Member of the Trust so once academisation formally takes place we believe this will bring longer term benefits to the school in terms of support, opportunities and resilience.

Contacting the governors - If you would like to contact the school governors about a governance issue, you can contact them through the school office on: 01302 362198 or email:

admin@townfield.doncaster.sch.uk

Thank You!

This spring term always seems long as we transition from the cold of winter, but we want to say a big thank you to all staff and parents for supporting the learning of all our children. We wish everyone a Happy Easter and hope everyone has a lovely break with their loved ones.