

BURWELL VILLAGE COLLEGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

On behalf of the Governing Body, I would like to thank you for your support for the school during these challenging times. Governors acknowledge the impact of lockdown at the start of this term and congratulate staff on the hard work they've done to enable remote learning, while also continuing to teach those children currently able to attend school. We have also been impressed with how non-teaching staff have shown flexibility over the past year and continued to positively cooperate and adapt to the challenges of the situation.

I am pleased to report that the school now has a full complement of 9 governors. I believe that the school has been extremely fortunate in attracting governors who have a wide range of skills and experience. This should enable the development of a strong Governing Body that will be able to provide both support and challenge for the school.

Minutes of Governing Body meetings will be posted on the website following approval at the next Governing Body meeting.

Initial roles and responsibilities have been allocated and governors are undertaking appropriate training to ensure that they can fulfil their roles effectively.

The composition of the Governing Body is as follows:

Edris Tildesley	Chair of Governors LA governor: Safeguarding
Peter Denny	Co-opted governor: Data, progress, attainment and curriculum
David Durrant	Co-opted governor: Finance and Sports Funding
Liz Fullick	Co-opted governor: Governor training and communications
Catherine Head	Parent governor: Data, progress, attainment and curriculum
Antony Kern	Headteacher
Colette McNally	Staff governor
Val Palmer	Co-opted governor: SEND and vulnerable groups, Pupil Premium
Helen Upright	Parent Governor: Health and Safety

We would also like to invite you to a Governors Forum on Monday, 1st February 2021 at 5.00 p.m. This will be an opportunity for you to meet the governors, to find out about their roles and responsibilities and what we hope to achieve for the school. We hope that you will be able to join us for this online meeting and a link to join is below.

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Burwell Village College Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We held our third full Governing Body meeting on 19th January 2021 and aspects of the development of the school that the governors were particularly pleased to report to you are:

- Governors have undertaken training by the Local Authority Lead Area Governance Adviser, on Roles & Responsibilities of a governing body
- The link governor for finance, David Durrant, met with the school and former IEB. member Emma Jones, to review current finances and was pleased to report the school's finances are in good order
- The Governing Body welcomed the development and consistency of systems and structures in place across the whole school and are encouraged by the leadership of English and the positive improvements evidenced in writing across the school
- The Governing Body were pleased that the protocols to keep children safe and parents informed during COVID 19 pandemic have worked effectively
- The number of children participating in learning, either remotely or in school is very positive: governors acknowledge your support in helping your children engage with this.

Kindest regards

Edris Tildesley

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