

# GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we wrap up the academic year, we'd like to thank children, staff, and families for their hard work and incredible support throughout the year. We'd also like to wish our Year 6 children success in their new secondary school journey and are looking forward to welcoming new Nursery and Reception children and their families to our school community. Governors love seeing children grow and thrive, and it's such a privilege to be part of this amazing community.



## GOVERNOR VISITS

Part of the governors' role is to ensure that the school meets the educational needs of every child. We achieve this through various methods including one-on-one meetings with subject leaders to monitor the intent, implementation, and impact of their subjects. The visit includes visiting the learning environment, speaking to children and meeting with staff. Governors have been enormously impressed with the subject leaders' passion for their specialism and the hard work they dedicate to their roles, on top of their classroom teaching.

Governors have thoroughly enjoyed talking to children and watching them learn and at play. We truly have wonderful children at Campsbourne. We are incredibly proud of them and their many achievements and successes.

## HSA

The governing board would like to express heartfelt thanks to the Home School Association for their wonderful efforts in building our community and fundraising this year. These events not only give everyone a chance to socialise but also play a crucial role in helping the school raise vital funds. Your dedication and support are truly appreciated!

### DOES YOUR EMPLOYER OFFER MATCH FUNDING?

As many of you know, school budgets are tight, and fundraising greatly helps. Does your employer offer match funding? This scheme allows a company to match (a proportion of) the funds raised by its employees for a registered charity. The HSA, being a registered charity, could double (part of) the funds raised through this. For more information please email [hsacampsbourne@gmail.com](mailto:hsacampsbourne@gmail.com)

## NATASHA CRABBE



Natasha, our Early Years Lead and Gwen John class teacher, is leaving Campsbourne after five wonderful years. We want to extend a huge thank you for her dedication and hard work and for her valuable insight as an Associate Governor. We wish her all the best in her new role as Headteacher of a nursery school.

## BUILDING WORKS

We'd like to say thank you for your patience during the building works. Like you, we are delighted that they are now complete! It is lovely to be able to fully enjoy the benefits of the substantial investment which the local authority have made at Campsbourne School. Now that the scaffolding is down we can see the significant difference that the external works have made to the building whilst inside we can enjoy more light and a more comfortable working environment for everyone. There are still a number of areas which need to be addressed e.g. the Gainsborough outdoor area and the school fence, which we are working on with the local authority to get completed as soon as possible.

Work on the new school reception area is due to begin at some point in August and will last most of the autumn term. However, these works will have minimal disruption to the running of the school and will provide us with a wonderful new reception area.

## GOVERNOR CHANGES

We are sad to say goodbye to two of our long standing co-opted members, Anita Jakhu and Alex Heywood. They have both contributed significantly to the governing body over the years and have supported newer governors in developing the essential skills necessary for governance. We wish them all the best.

We are delighted to welcome two new governors, Barney Angliss and Annika Murray, who bring a wealth of expertise and experience to the board.

Barney is an education consultant, Tribunal representative and expert witness in special educational needs and disability who researches and writes on experiences of disability in childhood. Annika brings over 15 years of experience as a chartered accountant in various managerial roles in the City. Joining the Campsbourne governors board, her aim is to utilise her skills and expertise to positively influence the school.



## GOVERNOR VACANCY

We are currently recruiting a new governor and are particularly interested in candidates with expertise or experience in any of the following areas:

- Legal
- Human Resources
- Marketing & Communications
- Compliance & Risk Management
- Premises Management:/Health & Safety
- Finance

The deadline for applications is 5th July and interviews will take place the week beginning 12th July and will be held on Zoom. Please contact the school office for an application pack.

## SUMMER BREAK

We wish you a wonderful summer break and we look forward to seeing you in September.

From all the Governors at Campsbourne School

We're always happy to talk about and share the work of the governing body, so please get in touch. You can find out more about us on the school website.