

# Governor News

Carr Head Primary

Autumn term 2017



**Dear parents and carers,**

**Welcome to the Autumn edition of your Governor Newsletter!**

A very warm welcome to our new parents and carers of our new pupils in reception, and any new pupils who have joined our school community since the last newsletter.

Our Governing Board is made up of committed volunteers who bring a broad range of experiences and expertise. We have 3 key responsibilities in school. We have to:

- Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Hold leaders to account for the performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of the staff
- Oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure money is well spent.

We meet regularly to discuss school improvement, standards, finances and pupil progress. Each year group in school now has their own Governor assigned to support the class and the teacher, and to feed back to the others and celebrate success.

Your governors for each year group are:

<b>Reception</b>	Mr Hacking
<b>Year 1</b>	Mr Hacking
<b>Year 2</b>	Mr Pawson
<b>Year 3</b>	Mr Rayner
<b>Year 4</b>	Mr Rayner
<b>Year 5</b>	Mr Cain
<b>Year 6</b>	Mrs Ward



*We are here to support and challenge the school*

We are delighted to welcome **two** new members to our Governing Board.



**Mr Ryan Gumley** was elected by our school community as our new parent governor and he brings a wealth of expertise as a primary teacher.



**Mrs Laura Garside** joins us as an experienced lead practitioner from Hodgson Academy. She has taught science for many years and is responsible for transition at our local Outstanding secondary school.

*Our mission is to prepare the children of today to flourish in the world of tomorrow through nurturing mind, body and soul.*



## Plans are afoot for the great outdoors!



We are very excited about plans to develop aspects of our outdoor provision with the PE grant. This includes provision to promote well-being and good mental health as well as increasing physical fitness for our young people. These are long term plans but will leave a legacy for future pupils to enjoy.

## Proud of our PTFA!

The first PTFA event of the year was the Halloween disco. The children thoroughly enjoyed the evening and it raised over £600! We look forward to the Christmas event.



## Rapidly improving standards

Standards in Oak remain high due to excellent opportunities provided to develop social interaction and self-management.

Improved teaching and learning in Key Stage 1 is laying strong foundations on which to build in Key Stage 2.

Standards at the end of Key Stage 2 are improving with progress **significantly better** than last year across all aspects of English and Maths.



Do you have any thought or suggestions about our school?

The 'Ideas' box in the reception is for our **Carr Head community** to contribute any thoughts/suggestions.

### KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

**Maths evening for parents** in the hall on Wed 28<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> November.

**Annual Brian House Reindeer Dash** on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**PTFA Christmas Fayre** on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas production day** is Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December, please see website for timings for each key stage.

