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Governor Newsletter to Parents 2016

Dear Parents,

As a school community of parents, governors and staff, we all want our children to thrive as they grow and at Flitwick Lower School we want every child to have a promising start in life where they can thrive through education. As a school we seek to create an environment where every child can feel safe, stimulated, and supported so they can flourish in their learning. We also recognise that to succeed we cannot do this alone and we need to work closely with parents and the wider community.

We always consider how we can improve the experience of learning, visiting and working at school and in 2016 we have made several changes to school. Last summer we purchased new books and redesigned and refurbished the library to make it a friendlier place for reading and choosing books – a big thank you to the School Association for providing the funds for this project. Also to make it easier for parents and children to reach their classes we have built a new footpath between the Dunstable Road and the Year 1 classrooms. At the same time the Year 1 play area was extended to provide more room for outdoor activities. Most recently we redecorated the school lobby, corridor and the Staff Room, where school staff can relax and work.

We have also introduced a few less visible changes. Earlier this year we adopted new technology – specialised educational tablets – with the aim of enhancing the teaching and learning experience at school. Soon we will be upgrading our internet connection at school to improve access to resources available on the Internet. The Beehive Out of School Club has been fully integrated into the school, and we ensured that the children continue receiving the same high quality meals at school as before through arrangements with the Luton Borough Council.

Each of these improvements at Flitwick Lower School aims to enhance the educational experience for children. However, we believe the biggest force for children's learning and success is their parents and care-givers. As a school we encourage parents, not only to be part of school, but also their learning. We are open for you to visit, talk to teachers and get involved in helping children learn in any way you can. We want to hear from parents how we can support them to be the most important educators in their children's lives.

Finally, our governing body has gone through some changes too and we now have a full governing body. You can see the full list of governors on the next page. We are very keen to hear from parents and the wider community on how we can improve the children's experience of learning and education. Please feel free to speak to us or contact us.

In closing, we would say a big thank you to our very hard-working and dedicated staff, inspirationally led by Mrs. New.

We wish you a merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Governors, Flitwick Lower School





The Governing Body is a non-paid group made up of parents, teachers, local authority nominated representatives and other members of the community, local government and business, who have the best interests of the school at heart. Our role as Governors is to work with everyone involved in the education of the children at our school in order to enable every child to fulfill his or her potential. Along with the staff, we help to set objectives for the school and monitor standards of learning. We also ensure that school has the facilities to provide a good education for our children.



Mr David Blair
(Chair of Governors)

Parent Governors



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(Vice Chair)



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