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GOVERNORS

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Dear Parents/Carers

We are now into term 3 and I hope you all managed to find some time to relax over the festive period.

As a school we have now been an academy since 1st December and I think it is apparent that there are few noticeable changes to our school. As Chair of Governors, I know that most of the changes lie within the finances and administration – little affecting the children. Lincoln Anglican Academy Trust (LAAT) will provide our school with the support required to take us to the next level in our journey to become Ofsted outstanding.

Due to academisation, we are now a Local Governing Body and since our last newsletter there have been some changes. Unfortunately, Mrs Roffe has resigned from her position of parent governor and I thank Mrs Roffe for the time and commitment she gave. Rev'd Barbara Hutchinson has now been replaced by Rev'd Gareth Atha who has been appointed as Vicar of the Benefice of the Elloe Stone Parishes. I would like to thank Rev'd Hutchinson for the time and commitment she gave and I would like to welcome Rev'd Atha who I am sure you will all meet in due course – if you have not already.

Mr Norman, Teaching Assistant has joined our staff team whom I wish every success to.

As part of our ongoing plan to improve the visibility of our Governing Body, we have included a focus on one of our Co-opted Governors, Kim Davis:

My name is Kim Davis and I am a mum to two boys. A short while back we moved to Lincolnshire for schooling. My eldest finished his primary education at Whaplode and started secondary education in Sept 2017 and my husband and I wanted to give him the best opportunities possible. We looked at a lot of primary schools before we moved and Whaplode CofE Primary School was by far the best in surrounding villages/towns. The whole feeling of the school just seemed happy and welcoming. The children were (and are) polite and genuinely seemed happy and friendly.



My children have both changed into confident boys and seemed to really enjoy the school.

This is why I wanted to become a Governor, I felt so strong about what the school had done for my boys and wanted to offer my help in any way possible. Education is so important to my husband and I, and I feel that Whaplode offers such a fantastic start for primary children that I wanted to be a part of this and help and advise as much as I can. I have now been appointed as British Values Governor which I am looking forward to.

In the academic year so far, governors have been present for parent's evenings and open mornings and will also be around the playground. We have also attended church services, performances and Christmas lunch. Please feel free to approach us directly, we really want to hear your views.

We will be sending out a letter regarding the parent governor vacancy over the next few weeks, so if you feel you have the commitment and passion required please look out for this letter.

Yours sincerely

Mr Chris Mackman
Chair of Governors