September 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

I just wanted to say a warm welcome to you all on behalf of the Governing Body here at Malvern Way Infant and Nursery School.

You are all at different stages here, some of you are first time parents and carers, some of you have seen more than one child pass through and others will be preparing for transition to Little Green at the end of Year 2. Whatever stage you are at we wish you a fabulous 2016/ 2017.

Hopefully you will all have received the papers regarding the election of a new Parent Governor and some of you are keen to take on this role. I can honestly say I have very much enjoyed my three years as a Governor here at Malvern Way and we are all very proud of the 'Outstanding' status awarded to us by Ofsted. We are currently on track to maintain this standard when Ofsted next come visiting…. If you would like to chat to me, or any other Governor, about what this role entails please leave us a message at the school office and we will be in touch.

Over the next academic year we have a variety of Governing duties to carry out (none of which ever seem like a chore). As well as the termly Full Governor meetings and committee meetings (Curriculum and Finance) we will have our annual Governor Day where we spend a day in the school observing day to day life and receive some up to date training. We also get to have a delicious school lunch (cooked by the award winning Mrs Kemp and her team) and enjoy an assembly. There will be an opportunity to meet with parents in an informal setting with refreshments available. We often find that younger siblings enjoy the biscuits!

Governors will also meet with their 'link staff' over the year to discuss individual subjects such as Literacy, Mathematics or SEN as examples. Below is a list of Governors and their responsibilities should you ever wish to contact them directly to discuss strategic issues. We will also receive group and individual training to ensure we are up to date with the current educational landscape.

Once again we wish you and your children an enjoyable year at Malvern Way. If you would like to discuss anything mentioned here in further detail (or anything we haven't mentioned) please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best regards,

Mrs Susan Hughes (on behalf of the Governing Body)
Chair of Governors

Governors and their roles

Susan Hughes – Chair of Governors, linked to SEN and Inclusion, PSHE and RE
Laura Clarke – Vice Chair, linked to Safeguarding
Tim Craig – Chair of Finance Committee and linked to Sport/Sport Premium
Ann Palmer (Staff) – Chair of Curriculum Committee and linked to Developing Subjects
Abby Hickling – linked to Early Years and Developing Subjects
Alistair Imrie – linked to Computing
Melanie Numan (Associate Member) – linked to Science
Hazel Hall – linked to Learning Outside The Classroom
Emma Cole (Headteacher)
Holly Butcher (Deputy Head) (Associate Member) – Linked to Energy Reduction
Ben Reid (Staff) – linked to Governor Training
Local Authority Governor (Vacant post)
Parent Governor (Vacant post)

Further information is available on the school website http://malvernway.herts.sch.uk/our-school/governors/