



Governors Update

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Like many of my colleagues, I was particularly grateful for the Easter holidays as last term was extremely busy. Something significant took place in the school every single week. The activities included a Health and Safety Audit, Local Authority Reviews of Teaching and Learning, an inspection from a Senior HMI, a Local Authority Safeguarding Audit, a Quality Assurance Review from an independent Ofsted consultant and the Governors AGM.

There isn't room here to list all the extra-curricular activities that the children took part in so I will just mention one – the North London half marathon. About 40 of our children ran the last mile of the course for Noah's Ark Hospice. The first 12 miles were completed in the 4 weeks leading up to the event. The atmosphere was electric and they all had a great time and performed somewhat better than me (most of them crossed the finish line ahead of me). The work that goes on behind the scenes to create the opportunities for the children and to help us succeed in audits and reviews is phenomenal. I want to thank and congratulate the staff who work tirelessly on behalf of the children.

Following on from the Parent Election I am delighted to welcome two new parent Governors to our Governing Body who will help share this term's workload. Which is just as well as this term has started in much the same vein as last – we have already had a financial audit and we have a review meeting with the LA next week.

I am also delighted that the Chair of Governors from St Catherine's has agreed to join the Governing Body as a Foundation Governor to share with us her extensive experience of leading the Governing Body of an outstanding school.

Best wishes
Dr Peter Carroll

PS If you want to know why Mr Brohan is smiling so much, you might find out by asking him what score the school achieved in last term's Health & Safety Audit.

Parent School handbook – 'for parents, by parents':

I would like to invite parents to register their interest in helping to write a parent school handbook to cover day to day procedures and practices. If you are interested please email office@sttheresas.barnetmail.net subject title 'Parent School handbook' by 01/05/15.

Quiz Night:

The Governors are incredibly appreciative of the work of the Friends and the generosity of the parents in raising funds for the playground. As a community let's continue to work together and show our support by attending the Quiz Night for the "grown-ups" on Friday 8th May! I hope to see you there.

Your school Governors are...

Chair of Governors: Dr Peter Carroll

Vice Chair of Governors: Kevin Omar

Foundation Governors: Gerry Costello - Fr John Dermody – Maura Docherty – Christine Fleming – Jane Goring – Lisa Sturley*

Parent Governors: Alan Crossan* – Jean-Marc Evans – Ony Ogodazi*

Staff Governors: Maureen Kelly - Georgia Reilly - Curtis Sweetingham

*recently appointed

How to contact us.....

If you would like to contact the Chair of Governors please do so in writing, via the school office, addressing the envelope to the Chair of Governors

Further details can be found @

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