

July 2021

Dear parents, carers and friends of Eversley Primary School,

Welcome to an update from Eversley School's Governing Body (GB).

Covid-19

It was wonderful that the pupils were back in their classrooms. The current wave of rising Covid cases has unfortunately led to a few classes having to temporarily isolate at home and we wish to thank all the parents & carers for their continued support throughout this disruption.

The Governing Body would like to thank all the school staff for all their hard work in transitioning the pupils back to their classrooms whilst still providing the home learning when required.

During this summer term we were very glad that all the pupils were able to enjoy events such as sports day, break the rules day, the sponsored fun event, the class parties and the whole school art project.

We were particularly pleased that Year 6 managed to go to Manor Adventure in Norfolk this summer providing them with wonderful memories and life experiences that develops confidence, social skills and independence. This was so important for Year 6 to enjoy before leaving Eversley.

It was wonderful to recently learn of the end of year Key Stage 2 results where the percentage is significantly above National/Local Authority/ London averages (2019 data) across all subjects. Congratulations to all the teaching staff in continuing to deliver a very high quality of education in the most extraordinary of circumstances.

We hope that all the pupils enjoyed their day of transition where the children went directly to their new class where they met their new teacher and may have involved playing in a different playground and eating lunch in a different hall.

During the summer term the Governing Body continued with their virtual committee meetings and their work with the school to support their hard work.

School Improvement Plan

Following the school's implementation of their Interim Recovery Curriculum the school have been working hard this term implementing sections of the new curriculum.

The key improvement priorities are as follows:

- Increase attainment & progress for all pupils in reading, writing and maths at the end of Reception, Year 2 and Year 6.
- To embed the new curriculum across the whole school
- Placing mental health at the heart of our strategic school improvement to support pupils and staff.
- To ensure high quality daily provision is being provided for all SEND pupils by developing the skills of teachers so that they consistently use assessment of learning to identify and act upon pupils' needs plan specific learning tasks to the right level of challenge, ensuring all children make GOOD or better progress

Eversley Parliament

The Governing Body would like to congratulate the Eversley Parliament who organised the sponsored fun running, jogging and dancing events. Thank you to everyone who generously supported the pupils. The events raised a fantastic £3800 that will help fund the playground equipment that the Enterprise and Enrichment Cabinet pupils have chosen.

Events such as the bird box / feeder competition, the 'Big Pedal' , and the newsround updates have been wonderful successes.

The Eversley Parliament has gone from strength to strength and we would like to thank the various committees who have embraced their roles and has clearly been an empowering experience for all the pupils.

Parent Governor Elections

We would like to congratulate Aimee Jacobs and Prafulla Pujara in being elected as Parent Governors. We wish to thank them for volunteering their time and energy in supporting the school. We also like to thank everyone who participated in these elections.

Peter Robotham

We would like to thank the staff governor, Peter Robotham, who generously volunteered his time to the governing body this year and will be sadly leaving Eversley after many years. We would like to congratulate Peter on his new appointment at another school and thank him for all his contributions in making Eversley such a wonderful place.

Parental Engagement

The governing body wishes to thank all parents and carers for their continued participation in the monthly parent/carer representative meetings despite Covid-19, where there is an opportunity to raise their concerns and give feedback to the Headteacher through class reps. Gathering parents' and carers' views through regular consultation such as this term's Homework Questionnaire is vitally important, as the school are looking to constantly strengthen their relationships with parents and carers through the engagement of questionnaires and feedback on homework.

EPSA, School Volunteers and the schools funding crisis

Our sincerest thanks go to the EPSA Co-Chairs, Joanna Ioannou and Demi Yiannakis, and the dedicated members of EPSA who continue to contribute so much of their time and energy.

Unfortunately, the summer fete had to be cancelled due to Covid restrictions, and this has always been a large fundraising event. We are very grateful to everyone who

donated to the Summer Raffle, and we would like to thank you for your continued support.

Last term a Crowd Funding page was set up with a target set at £30,000 to help pay for new iPads, Windows 10 & hard drive upgrade, laptops for the school and subscription costs for learning packages. Please support Eversley by making donation to EPSA' s GoFundMe page <https://gofund.me/e8602ceb>

All donations no matter how small are greatly appreciated and will make a huge difference and benefit the children. Currently a total of £3,595 has been raised toward the £30,000 target. Eversley continue to do its utmost to protect the excellent quality of education it provides for pupils from the harshest impacts of such reductions. Ways in which you can get involved include joining the campaign set up by a group of parents to lobby the Government for a fairer deal – look at <https://schoolcuts.org.uk/schools/?chosenSchool=3082085>

Eversley School Governing Body

The current governors are:

Headteacher: Samantha Williams

Staff: Peter Robotham

Local Authority Governor: Cheryl Headon

Parents:

Prafulla Pujara (Co Vice-Chair)

James Clements

Mark Wallace

Aimee Jacobs

Co-opted:

Bambos Charalambous MP

Hadiza Adeyemi (Co Vice-Chair)

Wahida Khan

Sanah Khan

Michael Florides (Chair)

Thank you for finding the time to read this newsletter and we wish you all a very happy and safe Summer holidays.

Over to you...

Is there anything you would like us to tell you about or, better still, anything you want to tell us?

The best way of getting in touch with us is via the school' s email address:

office@eversley.enfield.sch.uk.

Please mark the email for the attention of the GB