

Perdiswell Governor Newsletter

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Message from Mr Arbery Chair of Governors



Dear Families,

Ofsted

The governors were delighted to learn that following a two day Ofsted inspection last month, the HMI who conducted the inspection said that the school remains a Good school. Among many highlights, the inspector's report stated that: the school is a happy place to be; has high expectations that pupils achieve well; that pupils behave well; prioritises early reading and that changes to the curriculum maximise enjoyment within lessons and progress within subjects. The governors wish to congratulate the staff and pupils on a truly wonderful outcome to the inspection.

Mrs Hughes

The Governors were saddened to learn from Mrs Hughes that she intended to resign and leave Perdiswell at the end of the academic year. Mrs Hughes has worked tirelessly to ensure Perdiswell gives pupils the best possible start in their school careers and to do so in a purposeful, happy and cheerful environment. Mrs Hughes will be a very hard act to follow.

We want to thank Mrs Hughes for all she has achieved and done to ensure Tudor Grange Perdiswell is a Good school. The Ofsted inspection report is a wonderful reflection of a career of service and dedication to her pupils. We wish Mrs Hughes every happiness in the future.

Hearing Voices!

The governors want to hear the voice of Parents, Pupils, the Teaching Staff and the Community.

To do this they have organised themselves into four Teams.

Each team will work out the best way of obtaining the voice they want to hear.

We want to hear these voices because we believe they will help us in all we do to help and support the Principal in making our school an even better school.

To begin with, the focus of the Parent and Pupil teams will be to respond to issues identified in the Ofsted report and the school's Improvement Plan (SIP). But if there are other issues you want to talk to us about, please do get in touch.

The Parent Voice

As parents and carers, you are key partners in your child's education. Your support and involvement matters and contributes to improved outcomes for the children in the school.

When you visit the school to attend an event you may find a governor (who will introduce him/herself wearing a governor's lanyard) asking if you will comment on a particular issue or matter. Your opinions and views matter. We want to know what they are.

The Pupil Voice

Pupil Voice is about providing opportunities for pupils to have a say about the decisions made in the school that affect their lives in school, especially their learning and education.

A number of studies have confirmed the benefits of hearing the Pupil Voice. Pupils who help shape their learning experiences are more academically motivated and are more likely to succeed.

Ofsted tell us that the pupil voice can contribute to school improvement.

While Pupil Voice is more than just having a School Council, Tudor Grange Perdiswell's school council is very good at eliciting the pupil voice. Pupil Voice, importantly contributes to more open and trustful relationships between pupils and staff.

The governors are keen to promote and hear the Pupil voice.

The governors hope that all pupils, parents and carers have a wonderful Easter.

Steve Arbery
Chair of Governors

