

# Governing Body Update

Following the recent Governing Body meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 we would like to update the community on our discussions.

As life is getting back to the new normal after the covid pandemic the Governors have been able to get into school more regularly now to meet with link staff. It has been lovely visiting the school and being able to see the wonderful work that children are doing.

More recently 2 of our Governors; Amy Holden and Phillipa Dunford-Jeffs were lucky enough to be judges at the Easter Bonnet competition which the school held. The student's creations were fantastic, and it was very clear the hard work that had gone into each and every one, making the judging all that more difficult!

As we are approaching the final term of the academic year, the year 6 teachers have been extremely busy preparing students for their end of year tests. In what can be a challenging time for the children they should be congratulated on their positive approach and effort to learning. The students have shown great resilience during the week of tests, and they are a credit to themselves and the school. We hope that the children can now enjoy creating more wonderful memories in their final term before leaving RWPA for secondary school.

In line with the Governments drive to improve the consistency of Phonics Teaching across the Country. RWPA recently introduced Little Wandle to support the learning of phonics with students in school. The overhaul of the Phonics curriculum has been no small feat and Nikki Clay has been the driving force behind this. It has been a huge learning curve for staff who have worked hard, engaging in a series of training for them to implement the programme successfully across the school. The impact has been noticeable, and the children are engaging well with their phonics learning. The Governors would like to thank Nikki and her team for all their hard work.

We want to finish the update by celebrating the hard work of all the staff at the school in continuing to create a fantastic learning environment for our children. We hope that staff, students, and their families of RWPA have a well-deserved rest at half term.

Keep well and stay safe

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