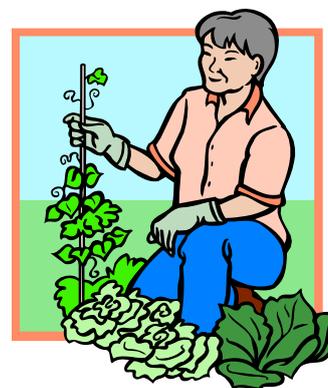


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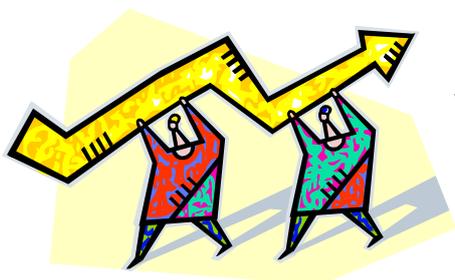
As we near the end of another academic year I would like to take a few moments to reflect on the role of the Governing Body. Our main objectives are to support and challenge the Headteacher and staff to ensure that they provide the best possible education for every pupil at Rosebank School.

We have had several changes to the Governing Body during the past 12 months. To those governors who have left us I would like to extend thanks for their support and contributions. We have recently elected two new governors: **Tamara Downes (Parent Governor)** and **Jackie Boyer (Teacher Governor)** and I'd like to welcome them - I look forward to us working together as a team. Sarah Steen has now taken up the role of Community Governor. In September we are looking to reconstitute the Governing Body in line with recent government guidelines. As part that process we are hoping that there will be an election of another parent governor, and that Mel Rathbone (presently an Associate Member) will become a governor with full rights to vote; that way Mel will represent all support staff within school and Jackie Boyer will represent all teaching staff.

Once again I have not been as involved in school life as I would have liked due to continued ill health but I'm hoping the situation will soon change. Other governors have been active in school life; attending events, fundraising, observing lessons and generally taking a great interest in all aspects of Rosebank School, its pupils and staff. Sarah Steen (Vice Chair) has continued to inspire pupils with the joys and pleasures of spending time gardening; in particular growing and then eating fruit and vegetables. Gardening is now an established part of the Rosebank curriculum.



Rosebank will be losing 14 pupils this summer - they are moving on to other schools. They will all be missed and we hope they will continue to make progress and make the most of their strengths and talents. We wish them Good Luck! We are looking forward to welcoming the new pupils and, as governors, we will be watching to see how best we can support staff to enable all the children to make the most of their time at Rosebank.



The range of extra-curricular activities continues to grow. Once again we thank staff, parents and volunteers who give their time, talents and skills to enable some of these activities to take place.

Just as school has its 'Development Plan', the Governing Body will be working on theirs early next term. It is likely that Rosebank will have a visit from OFSTED sometime in the next academic year and we need to be prepared. Our aim is to continue our support in the most efficient way.

On behalf of all the governors I would like to thank all the staff and pupils who work so hard to make Rosebank a happy, hard-working school. Well done and I hope you have a pleasant break over the summer.

Ann White

Chair of Governors