



CHAIR'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE GOVERNING BOARD

2023-2024

All Governors with the exception of the Headteacher, are volunteers. They are unpaid but can claim expenses. The Board is made up of parents, members of staff and other interested members of our community. The meetings are professionally minuted and can be requested from the school office. I am proud to have sat as Chair for a further year a Goat Lees Primary school.

The Governing boards core functions include:

1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
2. Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff; and
3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

The Governors have a wide range of experiences and skills. These include managerial, financial, health and safety and educational expertise. Which ensures the strategic direction of the board is met and closely monitored. All governors play a vital role in the management of the school and attend many informal and formal visits, that make up the monitoring of the setting improvement plan. These consist of helping hear readers, liaising with link classes and teachers, attending events such as assemblies and school fayres.

The Headteacher produces reports for each Board meeting. Governors are always keen to know what the children are learning about, how the school is supporting education outcomes and development for all its children, what the attendance is like throughout the school and celebrate achievements of the whole school. A huge congratulations to last years year five class on winning the school trip on the Disney Cruise line.

This year the governors conducted a monitoring day where many governors attended a full day at school to get a true picture of how the school works allowing them to meet many member of staff and children along with seeing many aspects of the school day. This was deemed a great success and we look forward to conducting another monitoring day soon.

May I take this opportunity to thank all those who work within the school community for their hard work and dedication to an building exceptional educational experience all our schools children and families.