



## Governing Body Newsletter Summer Term 2016

Welcome to the latest report of the Governing Body. This short report shows who the Governors are and what we have done in the Summer term.

Want to get in touch with Governors? You can email us at [admin@blabystokes.com](mailto:admin@blabystokes.com).

### Who are the Governors?

The Governing Body is a group of volunteers responsible for the overall management of the school. Find out more about who we are at

[www.blabystokes.com/team/governors](http://www.blabystokes.com/team/governors)

#### Parent Governors (4)

Matthew Weir	Stephen Jones (Vice Chair)
Vacant	Vacant

#### Local Authority Governor (1)

Zoe Warner (Chair)
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#### Foundation Governors (2)

Rev Grenville Gibbins	Richard Holdridge
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#### Head Teacher & staff (2)

Deirdre Kallquist	James Cheesman
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#### Co-opted Governors (4)

Pam Smith	Olive Hillier
Louisa Coleman	Bev Philips

#### Clerk to the Governors (1)

Les Bates
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### Governing Body meetings and class visits

The Governing Body meets at least once a term to review school progress. Each Governor is also on one or more sub-committees, which also meet once a term, looking at essential aspects of school life.

In May, Governors reviewed PE teaching at school. We observed various indoor and outdoor activities and spoke with both the teaching staff and the pupils. We shared our findings with Governing body and proposed improvements such as linking sport with specific development needs.

### School strategy

Governors led defining our school strategy, working with teachers, parents and children to inform what our goals should be to 2020 and how we should measure them.

We welcome further feedback on our school strategy – you can read it online and give feedback at [www.blabystokes.com/welcome/strategy](http://www.blabystokes.com/welcome/strategy).

### School summer fair

Governors attended the school fair supporting a number of stalls and some of us took part in the 'soak a governor' stall, helped by year 6 pupils. We got very wet due to some enthusiastic wet sponge throwing!

Considering the weather there was a good turn out and all seemed to have fun. Thanks for all your support.

## School anniversary

Governors attended the school 50/60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary assembly and the celebration picnic in May. We had a great time talking to and eating with the children.

It was a real 'blast from the past' queuing up for school dinners!



## Saffron Lane sports day

A Governor was lucky enough to attend the recent inter school sports competition at Saffron Lane Sports Centre. Stephen Jones commented that our school was very well represented and that the children were enthusiastic and very well behaved. Well done to everyone who took part, even though most of the finals were rained off!!

## LCFC Premier League champions 2015/16 season!!

Governors would like to congratulate [Leicester City Football Club](#) on becoming Premier League Champions. One of our Governors had the idea of allowing children to be collected early for the victory parade and we would like to thank Mrs Kallquist and the rest of the staff for supporting the idea. Stephen Jones commented that he saw lots of parents collecting their children early and running out of the school grounds in order get to the celebrations in good time.



## Warning ZONE...

A Governor recently visited Warning Zone life skills centre, based in Leicester. Our school takes year 6 pupils each year where they learn about safety in various environments, including e-safety, through interactive learning.

This is very exciting and worthwhile experience for all 10/11 year olds. There will be an open day held on 13th August and it's well worth a visit. See [www.warningzone.org.uk](http://www.warningzone.org.uk).

## Interested in becoming a Governor?

We have two vacancies for Parent Governors in the school – it is a great way to have a real impact on the school and it takes less than an hour a week. Please contact the school office or Mrs Kallquist if you're interested in becoming part of our team!