

Governor Newsletter July 2023

Dear Parents.

We are fast approaching the end of the school year and the time when our Year 6 pupils move on to the next stage in their education. All the governors join me in wishing them a very happy and successful time at Secondary School and we thank them all for their amazing contribution to the Princecroft Family as they have progressed through the school. They will all be a great asset to their next school.

The Governing Board has continued to work to support Mrs Pierson and all the staff in providing all the children with an excellent education. In particular we have been working on the new Bumbletots facility and we look forward to accepting 2 year old children at Princecroft. We also look forward to welcoming Mr Glenn Hampson, our new Deputy Headteacher, to the Princecroft Staff in September.

In June, the Governors were included in a Local Authority review of the school and I am pleased to say that we acquitted ourselves well. It was noted that, whenever members of the Local Authority visit the school, there is always at least one member of the Governing Board working in the school. We are indeed very lucky with the amount of time and the commitment governors give to the school. The knowledge we have of the school makes it easier for us to carry out our statutory duties and to support the staff and the leadership team.

Earlier in the year, the Governors worked on the Aspirations we have for Princecroft- highlighting where we would like to be in 5 years time. Our aspirations include

- Princecroft will be the nursery and primary school of choice in Warminster.
 We are already oversubscribed in applications to the school.
- The school is directly engaged in the development and improvement of other schools. Members of our staff train other teachers as part of the Ramsbury Hub for Literacy.
- The school is recognised nationally as a primary school "beacon of excellence".

 Princecroft is the only training school for SoundsWrite in the South West
- Our ex-pupils are following aspirational career paths.

 Our "11 by 11" strategy (11 experiences by the age of 11) gives our pupils inspirational opportunities and experiences.
- The school makes a positive contribution to the wider community:
 The wrap-around care provided by Princecroft is well used by working parents.
 Extending our age range to accommodate 2 year olds will help local families.
 Visitors to Princecroft always comment on the behaviour of our pupils, making them great ambassadors for Princecroft. (well done children!)

As you can see, we are already well on the way to achieving these aspirations, and we will continue to work on them.

I hope you all have an enjoyable summer break and that the sunny weather continues through August.

Best wishes

Ros Sutton

R.P. Sutton Chair of Governors