



## Notes from the Chair of Governors

Having been elected, relatively recently, **Chair of Governors**, I thought it would be good to introduce myself.

My name is **Vaughan Clark**, and I am passionate about children's education. My wife, (who is also a governor), spent her working life as a special needs teacher, and my daughter, who is also a teacher, is currently the SENCo at two local schools, so it is not surprising that I caught the "education bug". After retiring, I started working with Years 1 and 2 children who had reading difficulties, using phonics to help them. It is probably the most rewarding activity I have done for many years, and reinforces my view that teachers are dedicated, highly professional and often under-valued.

I have always thought that education is a partnership between teachers and parents, never more important in these pandemic times. One of the main responsibilities of governors is to support the Headteacher in delivering the best possible education to the children in the school, and parent governors are crucial in providing a unique view to this end. We currently have vacancies for parent governors – could you fill one of these roles? As a parent governor you would have a role in helping to run the school, and, every bit as important, planning for the school's future.

**If you want to help, please contact either me**

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