Royal Cross Governors Newsletter

End of Year Edition – July 2022

Welcome to this End of Year Newsletter which reflects on what has been a busy and challenging time for Parents, Pupils, Staff and Governors.

Dear Reader,

As we come to the end of another School Year it is time to reflect on the hard work that everyone has put in to make the School a success. Although, we have had some form of normality the COVID challenges have not gone away. Pupils and Staff have had to work extremely hard to get "back on track" despite such challenges.

The support of the Parents is one of the reasons that the School is such a success. It was therefore with great delight that Parents were able to be welcomed "on-mass" back into School. I am sure that everyone enjoyed what was a very busy School Sports Day.

I would like to wish you all well for the holidays. I am sure that next year will bring about more uncertainty but I am sure that Pupils, Staff, Parents and Governors will be up to the challenge.

Thanks,

Clive Gregory, Chair of Governors

Changes to the Membership of the Governing Body

Over the last few months two of our Governors have left the Governing Body; Ryan Lewis on reaching the end of his term of service and Carol Cuming who retired due to work commitments. I would like to thank both Ryan and Carol for the work they put into the Governing Body and their commitment to the School. We wish them both well for the future.

We also welcomed Rizwan Yaqub to the Governing Body. Rizwan brings with him a wealth of experience from his work in the Business Community. We all look forward to working with him in his new role.

Governor Activities

As you may be aware School Governors are required to set, in conjunction with the Headteacher, the overall Strategy Direction for the School, to ensure that Public Money is well spent and to hold the School's Strategic Leadership to Account for Performance.

In order to discharge these responsibilities, Governors meet formally 6 times a year. In addition, various

Governors visit the School to discuss a range of topics with Staff and Pupils. They also undertake Training Courses and engage with various outside organisations.

Going Forward

Our focus going forward is on ensuring that Pupils are provided with as a wide as possible curriculum. This will allow them to be as prepared as they can be for the modern world.

We are also looking to ensure that the School has a long term future so it is important that we publicise the School as widely as possible to ensure that there is a constant flow of new pupils. This includes inviting prospective Parents/Pupils to attend our popular and successful "Stay and Play" events.

The School will also continue to run activities for Parents including those on Internet Safety focusing on what is changing in the world of "apps" including of course "Social Media".

Finally

As the Staff and Pupils head off on their Summer Break we wish them well and hope everyone returns refreshed and ready for next Academic Year.

If you would like to know more about the work of the Governing Body then please either visit the website <u>https://www.royalcross.lancs.sch.uk/page/governors/36997</u> or contact the School.

Thanks for your interest.