

HOLY TRINITY C.E.(A) PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

First, we would like to say a warm welcome from governors to all our families to the 2018/19 school year. We hope you had a relaxing summer holiday break, have settled in at the beginning of this autumn term and are looking forward to all the school year has to hold. A particularly warm welcome goes to the children, parents and carers new to the school. This letter is to give a word of explanation about the role of governors in the school and how parents, carers and families can be involved in the life of the school.

Mrs Ann MacGregor has been our headteacher for two years and has a strong teaching, support and leadership team around her. Their priority, as is the governors', is to provide the best possible education for all children in a happy school, underpinned by our Christian ethos and values. We were pleased to see this reflected in our "good" Ofsted inspection earlier in 2018.

There are many ways in which you can help to support the school and children:-

- Learn more about specific topics relevant to current primary education at sessions for parents and carers;
- Regular parents' consultation meetings specific to your child and interim and year end reports;
- Help with class activities or on school trips during the year;
- Support PTA (Parent Teacher Association) activities to raise money to be spent in school on a variety of projects and materials from sports kit to laptops. With school budgets for the whole country reducing, PTA funding steps in to cover some essential items. If you wish to, and are able, to make a regular financial contribution, we have a gift aid scheme you can use. Please visit

https://mydonate.bt.com/charities/holytrinityceaprimaryschoolpta

• All family members are welcome to help maintain our extensive school ground and woodland environment (we have six acres stretching beyond the school buildings to discover...) at grounds days.

As governors, we work closely with the school leadership team to help the school provide the best possible education for its pupils through driving school improvement. Find out more in the governor section of the school website. <u>http://www.holytrinity-cuckfield.w-sussex.sch.uk/website/governors</u>

Volunteering as a governor can be very rewarding and enjoyable, and it gives a very different perspective on school life. If you think it might be for you, now or in the future, please contact our co-chairs on <u>governor@htprimary.co.uk</u>. We would be delighted to hear from you.

We value the partnership between home and school very highly and thank you for your continued support. We look forward to meeting many of you over the coming year.

Yours faithfully Janice Peek and Simon Janvrin (Co-Chairs of Governors)