



Governors' News

Ashton Vale Primary School

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Welcome to our term 6 newsletter from the Governing Body at Ashton Vale School.

It is once again the end of another academic year and, as Chair of Governors here at Ashton Vale School, it gives me some time to reflect on all aspects of school life.

I try to attend as many school activities as possible; this past year has kept me very busy.

Over the year I have observed the progress of all the children and I am very pleased to say that staff have worked so hard on curriculum subjects to make learning interesting and fun.



Sport

Our sports teams have been truly outstanding and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff and parents who have given up so much of their time to support and encourage our young sportspeople.



Gardening & Healthy Living

We have won a Gold award for our Bristol in Bloom and have become overall winners in

the Bristol gardening competition. We are now the only school in Bristol to win the Gold award from The Food for Life Trust and only the 28th school in the whole country to win this award. Thanks to everyone who was instrumental in making this happen.



Assemblies

Assemblies for me are the highlight of the school week, when the children get to show their work. This year we have seen Shakespeare plays, amazing work on endangered species, Roman history, even a Royal tea party, to name but a few.

The children also get to show work they have completed at home, much of which is related to the curriculum. Thank you to all parents and carers who have helped their children to explore some of the school subjects.





Our creative side

Creative activities are very important so, art work, music, drama and singing are great ways of giving the children a platform to show talents or gain confidence.

I have had the privilege of singing with our Handfuls of Harmony Choir in several concerts this year. We sing with other schools and, as always, our children represent us impeccably.



A big THANK YOU to our staff

I would like to take this opportunity to thank staff for their hard work and commitment to our school and to wish staff that are leaving us the very best of luck. Best wishes go to Mrs Frampton for a very healthy, happy baby.

We are looking forward to working with our new staff.

After a day of interviews they were delighted to hear they would be joining us. They were all asked to teach our children and I was truly proud of the behaviour and welcome our children gave them.



And finally...

I would like to give my sincere thanks to Jane Wilkins, who recently stood down from her governor role, after more than 25 years on the Governing Body. She has seen many changes over the years, has given her time generously and shown true commitment to our school and continues to do so in her staff role.

I am always around if you wish to meet up with me, or if you are interested in becoming a governor.

It only remains to welcome everyone to the new academic year.

Can I keep up if it's as good as this year?

Have a great summer!

Jenny Smith

(Chair of Governors)



