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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the first Governor Newsletter of this school year. As governors we want to find the best ways to tell you about our work, and we want to hear from you about the ways we can develop ongoing positive relationships and communication with you all.

With this newsletter you will find a summary annual report of our work last year. If you have any questions about anything in the report, or about the way we carry out our role as Governing Board, please let us know either by emailing spowell32.306@lgflmail.org or writing to the Governing Board c/o the school office.

We will be updating the information about the Governing Board on the website during this half term. That is where you will find the names of all governors.

At the end of last term Matt Sowrey-Lewin resigned from the Board. He served as a Parent Governor and then a Co-opted governor and last year was Vice Chair. This term we have welcomed two new governors; Monica Beckles and Joyce Adjei. We will also be holding an election for a new Parent Governor. If you feel that this is a role that interests you, or if you have questions about the role, please contact us.

Chair of Governors

PROFILE: Trisha Holmes



I'm Trisha Holmes and I was elected as the Local Authority Governor in September 2017. I recently was elected as Deputy Chair of Governors here at Red Gates. I am the Link Governor for SEND and as such I keep my ears open for any new opportunities or developments that may affect our Red Gates children. In the past year I was pleased to be part of the recruitment panel for the Head Teacher role and was delighted when Lorraine Slee was the successful candidate. I am a trustee for Parents in Partnership Croydon, a local charity which supports and helps parents and families of children with SEND. As part of my work for Croydon Council I developed the original Local Offer for SEND in Croydon. Now retired, I am enjoying working as a governor to support the Head Teacher and her staff in their endeavours to give Red Gates children an excellent education and skills for their future life.



Lorraine Slee
Headteacher
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