



Joy Lane Primary School

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Tuesday 1st November 2016

Oyster Bay Nursery & Oysters SRP (ASD)

Executive Headteacher: Ms D J Hines

Head of School: Mr M Ashley-Jones

Dear Parents & Carers

I write to advise you of the changes that have occurred within the structure of the Governing Body. These changes have been brought about partially as a result of resignations and our move towards a Foundation School.

The move to a Foundation Cooperative Trust meant that we were required to reconstitute the Governing Body. This is in the process of being completed and the result is a decrease in Parent Governors from four to two and the addition of two Foundation Governors, appointed by the Governing Body but with a remit to monitor values and the Trust action plans.

The format of the Governing Body is now as follows:

Two elected Parent Governors, one appointed Local Authority Governor, one staff governor, the Head Teacher, two Foundation Governors and five co-opted (or Community) Governors a total of twelve in all. At the September meeting I was re-elected for a period of two years as Chair and Phil Baldwin, one of the elected parent governors, was elected as one of our two Vice Chairs. The second Vice Chair is Mrs Sheena Strudley.

Under the rules of the Full Governing Body, each appointment is for two years. As it is my second term of office as Chair, I cannot stand for a further period as Chair at the end of this term of office.

I have therefore given clear notice to the Governing Body that they will need to elect a new Chair in two years' time and, at that point, I shall step down from the Governing Body, having served for a period of eight years, initially being appointed by the Local Authority, and latterly as a co-opted Governor.

Also at that September meeting the Governing Body appointed Mrs Strudley and Mrs Brennan as Foundation Governors.

Two vacancies were caused by the resignations of Ms Liz Mastin and Mrs Macleod, the latter to take up a new post with a Stockholm based company. They have been replaced by Mr Max Oliver and Mrs Lesley Nash.

Mr Oliver has previously served as a governor at another school in the district and has extensive experience in Governance and school procedures. Mrs Nash is retired having spent over twenty-five years working in primary schools within the early years' sector. Both bring new experiences and further strengthen the skills profile of the Governing Body.

Yours sincerely

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Chair of the Governing Body

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