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GOVERNOR CORNER

CELEBRATING GOVERNANCE

My name is Katie Brown and I chair the Local Academy Committee (LAC) at Hall Meadow Primary School. The Local Academy Committee is

a sub-committee of the InMAT trust board and has a number of delegated responsibilities that support the school as well as deliver assurance on key priority areas.

The work of the LAC is broad and varied and covers all aspects of the school community. Some examples of areas that we are responsible for monitoring are:

- School improvement and standards
- Effectiveness of safeguarding and ensuring compliance with national guidance
- Evaluating the effectiveness of the curriculum
- SEND, pupil premium and inclusion

We also have a role in promoting partnership working between all key stakeholders.

Recently we have been looking in detail at areas of the curriculum particularly science, computing, PE and writing, to gain an understanding on how this is taught within Hall Meadow and its effectiveness in relation to the children's progress and attainment. This has included meeting with the members of staff responsible for those areas of curriculum as well as seeing these in action within the school. We also had a key role in the recent OFSTED inspection and have been talking to children and staff about the new Expectations Policy.

One of the highlights of being a governor is the opportunity to spend time with the children and talk to them about school life. This forms a really important part of the assurance and oversight of the LAC's role.

Every governor brings different skills from their career and life experience which are valuable in contributing to the LAC's work. For anything specifically relating to education, training is provided. Being a governor is hugely rewarding and anyone who has an interest in being a governor at any of the trust schools can speak to Carole Kirby or Maria Page by calling the office on 01604 434600.

NATIONAL SCHOOL GOVERNORS' AWARENESS DAY

WHAT IS NATIONAL SCHOOL GOVERNORS' AWARENESS DAY?

National School Governors Awareness Day aims to raise awareness of governance in schools and trusts and champion the contribution that governors and trustees make to improve the overall effectiveness and the lives of children and young people in their schools.

WHEN IS NATIONAL SCHOOL GOVERNORS' AWARENESS DAY?

Tuesday 28th February.

WHO IS THIS AWARENESS DAY FOR?

Over 300,000 people make up the school governance community in England, which makes them the largest group of volunteers in the world. Strictly Education is joining forces with a range of supporting organisations to celebrate school governance and raise its profile within our wider communities.

WHO ARE THE SUPPORTERS?

Strictly Education
The Trusted Executive
Governor Hub
Governors for Schools
National Coordinators of Governance Services (NCOGS)
iGovS

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Headteachers are being encouraged to send eCards to their governors and trustees. The NSGAD website also hosts a Knowledge Hub of news and guest posts. Visit Home - National School Governors' Awareness Day - 28/02/2023 (schoolgovernorsday.co.uk) for more information.

We will be posting daily on social media to celebrate our governors and trustees, so please give us a follow, like and a share.

The day will be promoted through a concerted press relations campaign aimed at national media, educational media, and every governing board in the country.

THE WEBINARS ARE:

Hot Topics
The Nine Habits of Trust
Supporting Your Community by Becoming a School Governor
Workload & Well-being – The Role of Governance

QUICK RESOURCES

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