



Governor Newsletter April 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we head in to the Easter Holidays the Governing Body have been working hard to ensure that we are doing the best it can for our pupils, given the resources we have available to us. We have reviewed the progress made in our 'school development plan' (available on the school website) which is the main driver for change at our school.

It is at this time of year we also review the school funding and draft a new budget for the next financial year. We are fortunate, when compared to other schools, that we are able to produce a balanced budget for the coming 12 months given the financial pressures faced by all schools. With that in mind we are extremely grateful to the volunteers in the FODIS team who have worked extremely hard and raised over £7,000 this year. Among other things, this has allowed us to open a new school library which should be up and running for the children to bring books home after the Easter Break.

Looking forward, it will become increasingly important to find new ways of generating additional income if we are to do all that we want for the pupils of our school. The governors will be exploring this area in the coming months. If you have any ideas that you think could help achieve this aim, feel free to contact any member of the teaching staff or governing body. You, our parents and carers, are a valuable resource and your skills and experience can help us make Downs Infant School even more special for all those that come here.

Your support is much appreciated.

Oli Rahman

Chair of Governors, Downs Infant School