Greetings from HGPS Governing Body

As the autumn term and 2021 comes to an end we want to thank everyone, especially HGPS staff and parents/ carers for all efforts made to provide children with a settled school environment, whilst we continue to live with Covid 19.

We also wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with some updates since the start of the school year.

Governing Body updates:

We are now meeting in school face to face for our meetings, which has been welcomed by us all

Clerk to governors arrangements- we want to say a huge "thank you" to Julie Doubleday for all her hard work. Julie has now left this role and we would like to introduce our new clerk, Jane Freeman- welcome Jane!

Friends of the School (FOTS):

Thank you for all your hard work with regards to the school disco's, family fun night and all the other fundraising activities you have promoted across the school. These events were a great success and were attended by so many children, many of which had not had the opportunity to attend previously due to the pandemic.

Positive experiences:

This term every year group has had the opportunity to participate in a school activity.

Year 4 pupils at Murton Park







It is amazing to hear how well received these experiences have been to date for the children and the positive impact on well being this has for all pupils able to attend across the school.

Activities in and outside of school:

Sports coaches have not only facilitated PE within school but have also offered after school activities including gym club and Dodge Ball, which has enabled the promotion of a healthy lifestyle and provided pupils with new skills.

Music lessons are still available within school and the school choir is well attended.

Fundraising events:

Every year group in school has a class charity. Across the school we raise money periodically for other charities. Our amazing student council members recently organised and raised money for children in need. The school created a 'rainbow of colour'- well done everyone!

Creating a passion for reading across school we are currently raising money for additional reading books, we hope you have all seen the poster which is located near the F2 classroom entrance. You can scan the QR code to donate. We are so proud of our reading champions and our hope is to promote a passion for reading for pleasure across all year groups. The student council will also be fundraising by undertaking book sales after school , which will be promoted via Parent Mail and Facebook.



School website:

Early in 2021 we decided to undertake a project around how we could make our school website function better and portray the school in the best way. It was deemed early on that we need to move to a more dynamic platform and we spent a number of months finding the right company to work with as well as futureproofing our website.

In September 2021 we made the decision on which company to work with and ensured our new website reflects the ethos of our school and it's brilliant children, with the added special touch of our woodland. We hope to make our new website live early in 2022 and we are sure you will love the look and feel of it and find everything you need at your fingertips.

Other initiatives across school:

We are aware of plans in place to make improvement to the school grounds and fundraising from FOTS events will enable us to start to make some plans towards this.

Our well-being ambassadors in school are working on a anti-bullying assembly, promoting the core values of our school.

Thanks to everyone for organising and attending the Christmas events across school, this is something we are very pleased has been able to take place.

If you know anyone with children looking to start at HGPS, in September 2022 and they have not been able make the school tours but would like to look around then please ask them to contact school (via email or telephone) and this could be facilitated.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a well earned break as we approach the festive season.

Best wishes, The Governors, HGPS.

For more information about the governing body, please visit the school website. If you have any feedback that you would like to share with the governing body, or any questions you would like to ask, you can also contact us on the school website. You can then select 'submit a question'.

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