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## News from the Governors | June 2019

### Governor Survey

We would like to hear from you! During the summer term, the governors send out a survey to gather information about the school. You should have already received this. Please do take the time to fill it out.

We use the data gathered to compare to previous years to get an understanding about parents' views and how they have changed. We also have active discussions about topics raised by parents, as well as achievements of the school that have been highlighted. We look forward to reading your thoughts!

### Governor Activity

Governors are actively involved in monitoring the school, which involves observing activities and speaking to various members of the school community. This term we have asked pupils for their views on keeping safe. We visited during SATs week and it was good to see that it was managed in a way that was supportive to pupils.

Throughout the academic year the governors have monitored the progress of the different areas in the School Development plan. We have focused on finding out how speech, language and communication has been improved in the school. Katy Howe joined one of our Teaching and Learning committee meetings to share the recent developments in the school.

Governors also attended a speech and language focused staff meeting where they were introduced to the new spelling resource available to the children called 'Spelling Shed'. The governors were impressed by the amount of work undertaken by the staff to drive forward improvements in speech, language and communication throughout the school.

Funding continues to be a challenge and we are doing all we can to ensure that any decisions are based on moving the school forward and achieving the best for all pupils. We are also working hard and liaising with Devon County Council to ensure that remedial work is done on the school building.

The governors will be about over the next half term supporting sports day and FOBS summer fayre. We hope to see as many of you there as possible at these wonderful events. Many thanks to FOBS for their continued fundraising and support.

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