

## Governors' Newsletter Autumn Term 2014

This is the first letter from the governors this academic year, and I would like to extend a warm welcome to all new children and families at Downs Infant School. As you know, we have seen some significant changes since last term. I would like to formally welcome Tracey Jarrett to our school. I am already enjoying working with her and sharing our ideas for the future. I am also delighted that Tracey Grennan has been appointed the substantive deputy head. I am confident that the two Traceys will move Downs forward without losing sight of all the positive practices already in place.

### Current Governors

Rachel Attwell,	chair of governors
Oli Rahman	vice chair of governors
Tracey Jarrett	headteacher
Jonathan Cave	teacher governor
Anna Korman	teacher governor
Jenny Smith	
Iain Parks	
Claire McCann	
Sheila Cullen	
Alan Cronshaw	
Niall Howell	associate member
Michael Button	associate member

### **Parent Governors, and child(ren)'s class(es) (where relevant)**

Oli Rahman	Seahorses
Julia Gallagher	Owls & Seahorses
Katie Salvidge	Swallows
Sarah Axtell	Badgers

Governors, who give their time freely and willingly, are an integral part of the leadership team. We are currently reconstituting the Governing Body in line with national policy. More of this in my next newsletter.

Already this term we have:

Continued our collaborative work with Downs Junior School which has already seen an increase in joint working between staff, and children from each school making use of the resources in the other.

Hosted one Parent Governor Surgery (with future surgeries scheduled for the spring and summer terms).

Monitored the budget.

Scrutinised performance data from summer 2014.

Posted information on the governors' section of the website (please do let us know if there is anything else you would like to see there).

With every good wish,

Rachel Attwell  
Chair of Governors

You can contact the Chair of Governors via the school office, either in writing/email or by requesting that she contact you by phone which she will do as soon as possible.