

Chair's report to parents July 2015

'Merebrook Infant School; a better place to be'

Firstly I would like to introduce myself to you. I have been Chair of Governors at Merebrook since September 2014. I was previously Chair of Governors at another Infant school and also still currently a Governor of a Federated School.

This has been a challenging year for Merebrook and it is a credit to the Head that the school has been able to function well with a shortage of experienced staff and senior leadership team.

The school has made good progress for pupils even though the outcome of the last Ofsted was not what we as staff and Governors had been working hard to achieve. We have therefore put an action plan in place agreed with and supported by the Milton Keynes Council to continue to make the improvements that should give us a 'good' at our next inspection. We should have a full Leadership team in place by October.

To ensure that children are continuing to make progress and to get them ready to have a successful outcome to their Key stage 1, we will continue to have 3 small classes in year 2 from September.

It is important that we have support throughout the school and education is the responsibility of us all; parents and guardians, teaching and support staff, the leadership team and school governors as well as general support and encouragement for the children. The children at our school are at a 'key stage' in their learning and we all need to help them to get a good foundation in their education and a love of learning throughout their lives.

It would be great if parents, guardians and grandparents could involve themselves as positive members of our school community, through becoming Governors or helpers or on the Merebrook Friends Association.

If you have any questions or concerns that you would like to raise, then please speak to a Governor, the Head or address any issues to the Chair of Governors via the school office and marked for my attention.

Good luck to those children leaving Merebrook and we look forward to a very positive new school year and welcome new children to our school in September 2015.

Denise Kelly – Chair of Governors July 2015