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Introducing ourselves

We are a group of volunteers, some with children in the school, some whose children have been through the school and others who are from different walks of life and are co-opted onto the Governing Body. Our shared passion for education inspires us to be governors and to both support and challenge the school leaders to do all they can to ensure your children get the best possible education at this wonderful school. If you would like to know more about us, click on 'Information for Parents' and then 'School Governors' on the school website.



Yvonne Turnbull, Chair of Governors (pictured).

How to contact us and what we do

If you ever want or need to talk to the Governing body of GJS, we are available either in person at school events or via email on governors@greasby-junior.wirral.sch.uk. We attend Parents' Evenings, to find out your views of the school and attend key events such as the residential trips in Years 4 and 6. Throughout the year, we spend time in classrooms to see teaching and learning first hand and visit at key times such as during SATs week, to check correct procedures are followed.

Mental Wellbeing

The mental wellbeing of both the children and staff are a priority of the Governing Body. The newspapers and media are constantly telling us how important positive mental wellbeing is; we fully support this view. Back in September 2017, we identified mental wellbeing as a key objective. As a result of this work, a Mental Wellbeing policy for the children and staff has been developed. This work will take time to embed, but we are confident that it is a move in the right direction and that the whole school community will benefit.

Other work

Mental Wellbeing isn't the only policy development that Governors have approved recently. A wide selection of policies have been approved this year including a new GDPR policy (new data protection regulations), Accessibility policy, Data Retention and Freedom of Information policies (amongst others). As parents, all of these policies are available for you to view on the website. Please let any of the governors (using the contact details above) know if you have any questions or concerns about them.

And finally ...

We are all very excited about the year ahead. We know the school has many wonderful experiences planned for the children to enjoy and learn from and we intend to share in as many of those as we can. We really do value your feedback so please feel free to talk to us about your experiences of the school and provide any suggestions for changes or improvements.