

# Newlyn School Governor Newsletter

Update

## Spring 2023

**Hello!** Welcome to our Spring newsletter which tells you what the governors have been doing over the past few months at Newlyn School.

### Meetings

We have been continuing with our in person meetings where we have discussed finance, staffing, curriculum and general school life. We have been kept updated on the challenges faced by the school and contributed to helpful discussions around these issues.

### Transition

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Stephens for all her hard work and dedication to Newlyn school throughout her time here. She has made a huge difference to the school and everyone in it. It has been a pleasure working alongside her and we wish her all the very best for this next stage in her journey.

We were involved in the rigorous interview process for the new headteacher and are pleased to welcome Mrs Connelly to the school. Mrs Connelly has a wide range of experience and a love for the village of Newlyn; we are confident that she will fit in well. We look forward to working alongside her and wish her well in her new role.

We also say a fond farewell to Mrs Richards who has been an integral part of school life for the past 30 years. We'd like to thank her for her dedication and hard work and wish her a peaceful retirement.

We welcome Mrs Watkins and wish her every success as she takes on this challenging post.

Transition periods can be daunting for everyone, and we'd like to recognize and thank all staff at Newlyn school for their support, hard work and continuing commitment to the school and every child who attends. Your work does not go unnoticed and is key during times of change.

As governors we will oversee this transition period and offer help and support wherever needed.

### Subject Monitoring

This past term we have monitored:

**Maths, PSHE, SEND, Safeguarding, PE, Behaviour, Science, DT, History & Geography**

These monitoring visits have been a mixture of staff meetings and small group conversations with the pupils as well as looking at examples of student work.

We get an overview of what that subject looks like across the school years and monitor progress linked to objectives set out in the school development plan at the beginning of each academic year.

It is always a pleasure to come into school and especially to speak to the children. We learn so much about the different subject areas and it's great to gain more of an insight into school life.

### Training

We have been updating our training in Safeguarding and various other areas of governance.

### New Governor E-mail Address

We have a new e-mail address! If you would like to get in touch about anything governance related please e-mail us at:

[governors@newlyn.tpacademytrust.org](mailto:governors@newlyn.tpacademytrust.org)

You are also still very welcome to submit any questions and comments on paper via the parent-governor box which is on the table outside the main hall.

**Have a great Easter break and we look forward to seeing your children in the summer term!**