

## Cliffe VC Primary School

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## Dear Parents / Carers

I would like to introduce myself as the latest Governor to join the Governing Body of Cliffe VC Primary. I am Foundation Governor as a Trustee of the Mary Waud Trust who was the original benefactor of this school. As Trustees, we meet 3 times a year in order to manage this for the benefit of the children of Cliffe Village

I am enjoying being a Governor and was surprised how much input the Governing Body has in the school. As Governors, on a Friday morning, we meet pupils and parents at the gate and then, when possible, we walk through the school in each class to observe the wonderful work of the staff and children in our school. If any parent brings a question or query to us on that morning it is discussed with Mrs Hay and brought to the next Governing Body Meeting or actioned immediately, if necessary

The Governing Body meet six times a year and the minutes of these meetings are posted on the website. We approve the overall strategic planning of school and the finances, in discussion with Mrs Hay, as Headteacher.

I also have been very impressed with the work of the PTA who run school events such as Fun Day and the Christmas Market, raising funds for the benefit of the children. The latest of these being the staging area, which was totally funded by the PTA and is being used daily by staff and pupils as teaching and play area. Thank you to them.

I look forward to seeing you at the gate on my next Friday visit.

Kath Cooper Foundation Governor







