



GOVERNORS NEWSLETTER

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Hello again from the Governors at St Anne's Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School. We hope the new year is finding you well. We have lots of news for you since the last edition. We have been very lucky to add new members to our board, see below. We have held two successful quiz nights raising over £500 in total. Our West Wick site passed the Health & Safety Inspection with flying colours and our Hewish site is getting healthier each week. Lots of the building works at Hewish have been completed and the car park is a much better surface which is better for everyone. Please remember to park in the marked bays though!

Our West Wick campus is growing in popularity with private bookings of the hall increasing and bookings in our lovely Little Learners Nursery are increasing. The nursery is open 50 weeks of the year from 7:30am until 6:00pm, feel free to spread the word! A very busy time in the last six months, I think you will agree. We thank our brilliant Head Teacher, Lisa and School Business Manager, Helen, for all their hard work along with all the school staff who all ensure the most important visitors to our schools get the best experience - the children!

We hope to meet you very soon as some of us will be there at the Parents' Evenings to help out. We would welcome any views or feedback as we are always happy to lend an ear. We will try to make ourselves known on the night, but if you are not sure who to talk to, please just ask!

Welcome to our new School Governors

We are very lucky to have had four new Governors join the board this school year and we are delighted to welcome:

Victoria Butterfield, Seb Blackshaw, Sarah Hollow and Chris Wardle.

All the school Governors are volunteers and dedicate their own time to help shape the future direction of our school. Their reward is happy children, happy teachers and happy parents. If you have any issue you would like to raise, our chair of Governors is Mrs Jonquil Brooks, but in the first instance, the school should be notified of any concern.



Adrenaline Rush: Our very enthusiastic Vice Chair, Susan Wilkinson, will be competing in the fun adrenaline rush race along with some PTFA members in Bristol during August - we do hope you will give her your full support!

Governors Web Page: The Governors page on the website is now live. The details of all the Governors for the school can be found there. www.stannesprimaryschool.co.uk

If you visit Waitrose please choose to put your green token in the St Anne's collection, we are hoping to raise funds for IT equipment.

Fundraising Ideas - What sort of event would you attend?

As a Governing body we are able to apply for certain grants and sponsorships but in order to secure that funding, we need to raise 10% of it ourselves. We would be very keen to hear from you what sort of events you would like us to put on for the future, in order for us to raise much needed funds for our school. In essence, every £1.00 we fundraise gets us £9.00 worth of grant money if we have managed to secure one. Each and every pound is put back into the school to help our children's educational experience. We would benefit from much greater attendance to our events and therefore would like input from you as to what type of fundraising event you would be happy to support and also a weekday/weekend/evening/daytime preference please. We welcome your emailed suggestions to nikkifrisby@o2.co.uk

easyfundraising
.org.uk

The PTFA have got a brilliant page for easy-fundraising, that does not cost you a thing! Each time you shop in online retail outlets, e.g. Amazon, John Lewis, Asda groceries, Ebay, Next. You can click through to them via easyfundraising.org.uk and the school gets a percentage of your purchase. You don't see any difference - but the school really does! Even if you forget, you can keep the items in your basket, click through from easyfundraising and your basket will still be there. Then the school will benefit - no need to shop twice! You can even download a find and remind toolbar which will alert you if you visit a retailer that supports us. Here's how: go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk Click on "support a good cause" and type in **Friends of St Anne's Primary School** - there will be a BS24 at the bottom to ensure you are choosing the right one. You can fundraise for the school without costing you a penny - charity really does begin at home!