

Poulner Junior Governors'

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Thank you and Vacancies

We are disappointed to lose two Governors this term, due to relocation and coming to the end of their term. Both Kate du Toit and Heather Dobby have provided great support to the school and will be sadly missed.

We do have vacancies now for new Governors to join this forward thinking team. This is open to parents, carers and non-parents.

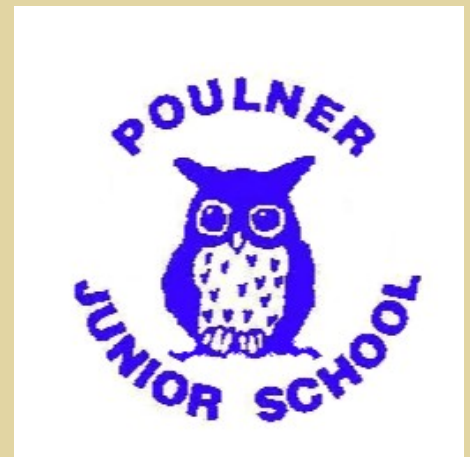
If you are able and wish to join the Governing Body, please contact either Jo Walker or Steve Hicks, through the School Admin Team.

We are happy to provide any further information before you join. It would be great to have enthusiastic and committed members join the team. No previous experience is required.

Start of the Year

We would like to 'thank' parents and carers for their support of the school and the whole staff team since the start of September. It has been a challenging time for everyone and it is great to see that the attendance of pupils has been high and for them to get back into school and learning again in a face to face process. Opportunities to learn with their peers is important, as is the social aspect for their wellbeing.

The Governing Body would also like to publicly thank **all of the staff** at Poulner Junior School for their commitment and determination during these incredibly challenging times.



What have Governors been doing since September?

- We have been reviewing the effectiveness of the Governance of the school and ensuring that we provide the right challenge and support for the Leadership Team.
- Planning for the next three years financially, taking account of changes in pupil numbers.
- Looking carefully at the Catch Up money and how it is spent.
- Developing an awareness of the plans for ensuring that the school is able to remain fully open from September and evaluating procedures.
- Ensure that we have the right Governors in place to support the school and it's progression as well as succession planning.

Who are the Governing Body of Your school?

We have space for up to 13 Governors, including the Headteacher. Currently the Governing Body consists of Steve Hicks (Chair), Lauren Casoria-Lambert (Vice –Chair), Andy Betteridge (Vice-Chair), Kevin Brodie, Natalie Jolley, Grace Shrubsole (staff), Steve Steele, and Clare Yeates. We are supported fully by Gwynne Kynaston, our clerk. Although we are keen to get in to school as often as we can, we are all working people and have to find an appropriate balance. This also enables us to take a more strategic overview of what is taking place.