



PARKGATE INFANTS GOVERNOR GOSSIP

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Welcome to the Parkgate Infants and Nursery School Governors' newsletter.

It is an aim of our school's Governing Body to improve communication and links between governors, staff, parents and children. We hope that this newsletter supports achieving this aim.

Improvements to the Environment

The Governing Body are pleased to report that the following improvements have been made to the school this year:

The lighting throughout the school has been replaced, and a new window has been added to the Butterfly Room.

In addition, the School are also planning to improve the external lighting, adding lights to the pathway down to the playground in order to provide better access.

Resources Purchased

Governors recently approved the purchase of iPads for the EYFS, so that observations can be made online using the Tapestry System, allowing for parents to keep up to date with their children's progress promptly and efficiently.

Spring Fair 2019

It was lovely to attend another fun and busy Spring Fair, thank you to all parents and staff who worked hard to make it happen.

The Governing Body has an email address which can be used to contact us if you need to:
infant.governors@parkgateinfants.herts.sch.uk

Parent Evenings

It was nice to see parents at the parent consultations, and thank you to those parents who have completed the Ofsted ParentView questionnaire.

If you have not filled it in, but would like to, then please visit

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Welcome to our new Parent Governors!

This year we are welcoming two new Parent governors to our Governing Body:

Aaron McGovern

I have a daughter in Reception, another due to join the nursery next September, with new baby born in March, who in time will also attend Parkgate. As a family we are invested in the current and future success of the school. I would like to contribute to that success practically by using the skills, insights and experience I have developed working previously in schools and IT consultancy, and currently as the pastor of a local church. My aim in serving as a parent-governor is to offer support to the pupils, their families and the staff of Parkgate.

Iain Rankin

I am so pleased that Parkgate Infants achieved a good rating in the most recent OFSTED inspection. As a new parent with my daughter in reception I am eager to help the school make progress in the areas outlined in the report.

I am a teacher with 14 years experience and have recently achieved a Masters degree in education. As a governor I would use my knowledge and experience in education to support the governing body in planning and actioning strategies to consolidate and develop teaching to all our children to ensure the best progress is achieved.