



Experiences and Fond Memories

I have been involved with Cromford School since my daughter, Megan, joined the Reception Class 9 years ago. At the end of this Summer Term my son, Jo will finish his time at Cromford School and at the same time my second term of office as Parent Governor will end

During the eight years that I have been a Governor there has been a large increase in the number of children at the school and we have moved from having two classes to three. We have dealt with COVID and all the associated disruption and home schooling. There has been a period of collaboration with St Giles, two OFSTED Inspections and increasing involvement with the local cluster of schools (COGS).

In recent years I have chaired the Resources Committee which has concerned me with the financial, staffing, premises and health and safety aspects of the school.

Being a Governor gets you really involved in the running of the school.

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And being a Parent Governor has given me the opportunity to give a parents' view of the school to the Governors.

I have found that being a Parent Governor takes some commitment, (it certainly took some time to understand the way things work) but it has also been very rewarding.

***Chris Smart
Parent Governor***

Fun and Formal

It is the responsibility of the Governing Body to ensure that all pupils achieve the best academic results they possibly can but also that school is a happy place.

Two events at Key Stage 2 represent these ideals.

The first: SATS exams, a formal affair, timed and conducted in proper test conditions. However, at Cromford School our children were greeted each morning by the Headteacher, wearing pinny, and cooking bacon cobs! All pupils had a relaxing start to their exams and completed the those they were able. To me this demonstrates the compassion and care shown to all.

And secondly: the day trip to London. For many a once in a lifetime opportunity: to visit the Houses of Parliament; to actually interview an

MP in that place and to see the room in which our late Queen was laid to rest.

And both of these events are a message to younger children in our school that even the more formal can be fun!

Alison Whittaker
Chair of Governors

New Opportunities

Hello from me, Helen Wallace, a relatively new Governor to the school. I moved to Cromford with my husband just over a year ago and have volunteered in school ever since – I absolutely love it! If your child is in the Owls class they will know me well. I have been made so welcome by the children and staff.

I became a Governor this academic year and appreciate being involved and getting to know the school better. I have spent my whole career in primary education and enjoy sharing my enthusiasm and experience of working with children.

I like to spend my free time helping out where I can.

You may well see me around the village or at school.

Helen Wallace
Co opted Governor

HELP

We need more Parent Governors

Are you able to join us and represent the views of parents?

Please contact the Headteacher Mrs Foster