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SETTLE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL - GOVERNOR NEWS

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Federation and School Governance

At the time of writing Settle CE Primary governing body is being dissolved and, in its place will be the formation of a new governing body to represent Settle CE Primary and Kirkby-in-Malhamdale Primary School Federation. The first meeting of the new governing board being set for 16th July 2019. A list of new governor representatives and positions will be released following our AGM in the early autumn. We are proud to have two parent governors elected for the new board in the persons of Mrs Amanda Dawson and Mr James Fryer. The collaborative partnership has been very successful this year for both schools and a future Federated partnership will see benefits in terms of closer joint working between staff, pupils and governors of both school communities. Kirkby Malham Primary School are now a category one school and achieved a fantastic Ofsted report earlier in the year. The partnership with Settle CE Primary School and the leadership of Mr Wright has been integral to their success.

Saying thank you and good bye

I would like to say a big thank you to Mr Chris Eccleston whose term of office ends as School Governor. He has been a great champion of the school and worked very hard behind the scenes to support the school. Thank you also to Mrs Anderton for her energy, drive and hard work teaching Class 5 and thank you also to Mrs Wood, who leaves our school for a new special needs position at Kirkby Malham Primary. You will all be missed. Thank you for your service at Settle Primary School.

Thank you also to our Executive Headteacher Mr Wright for doing an amazing leadership job this year and to our wonderful new deputy Miss Thompson for her hard work and excellent support of both Mr Wright and the wider staff. Thank you to all our brilliant teachers who work so hard each day to create stimulating, exciting and well-planned lessons that get the best out of our children. Our thanks also go to all the brilliant support staff who work in classrooms, admin office, kitchen or on cleaning duties. We are lucky to have such a fabulous team.

Thanks too to all the parent and grandparents as well as all the children we are lucky to teach. Thank you for your ongoing support and our good luck and best wishes to all our Year 6 leavers. Have a fantastic future in your new schools.

School Reports

Please be sure to send back your feedback comments so that we know how you have felt about this year. Please refrain from putting the reports on social media as we do not want signatures or personal information to be broadcast in this way. Likewise, please ensure that any school communications such as emails are not put up on social media – in this modern age it is becoming increasingly difficult to stay private and discreet. Communications should remain confidential between school and parent.

Skate Park

We are delighted to say that the Skate Park is now being scheduled for a more appropriate location. This preserves our local park for our young children and their families and means the important local memorial is properly respected. This is a good result and represents the majority opinion of our parents and local community. We thank Settle Town Council for responding to the wishes and feedback of their local community.

Outstanding payments

Please make sure that your parent pay accounts are up to date. Please note that ALL long-term outstanding payments that have not been formally resolved with the Headteacher are eventually passed on to the Local Authority Debt Collection Team. It is not something we like to do and fortunately it is something we rarely have to do, but sadly it is the end result of persistent non-payment and incurring of significant debt. If you are struggling with payments then re-plan your finances and the services that you take from the school.

Diary Dates – staff return Monday 2nd/3rd September. Children return to school on Wednesday 4th September 2019

Best wishes and thank you all for your ongoing support for our school. Have a great summer everybody!

Michael Gudgeon
Chair of Governors