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Welcome from the Governing Board

As autumn ushers in a new school year, we'd like to offer a warm welcome back to staff and pupils at the start of a promising term. Everyone has been working hard behind-the-scenes to ensure that this year feels like a more normal school year and offers opportunities for all. The classrooms look fantastic – with new displays, reading areas and memory books – and it has been lovely to be able to offer parents the chance to look around, meet teachers, and be back in school after such a long time.

We'd like to welcome our new staff members into the school and thank all our staff for their hard work in ensuring that everything is up and running smoothly, the pupils are settled, and expectations are high. Their efforts continue to make Overstone a nurturing and engaging school environment.

We are very lucky to have a wonderful wider school community. We appreciate everyone's understanding and commitment last year in such unprecedented times and hope that this coming year will bring us together more often and under better circumstances.

Our roles

We held our first Governing Board meeting of the new year in September. It was great to meet faceto-face in school for the first time in months and greet our newest members, Elaine Brown, Jo Soper and Helen Walsh. Following the meeting, we are pleased to confirm the roles and subject areas within the Governing Board:

Governor	Roles and subject areas
Steve Fuller	Co-chair; EYFS; Performance Management
Stephen Gates	Co-chair; Leadership and Management; Healthy and Safety
Kirsty Berry	Vice Chair; Personal Development
Elaine Brown	Health and Wellbeing; Sports Premium
Claire Miller	Staff
Lucy Pinto	Safeguarding
Emma Seabourne	Quality of Education; Data Protection
Cathryn Siddall	SEND and Pupil Premium; Performance Management
Jo Soper	Safeguarding
Ellie Thompson	Health and Wellbeing; Sports Premium; Equalities; Website Compliance
Dave Varey	Performance Management
Helen Walsh	Communications and Marketing
Mark Watson	Behaviour and Attitudes



What we do

Overstone's Governing Board is a dedicated group of volunteers who meet regularly to share in the leadership of our school and resources. Our members bring a wealth of experience from the wider world to the school and represent the many different people that have an interest in its success, such as staff, parents, members of the local community, and the local authority. It is our job to act as a strategic leader of the school, while the headteacher has responsibility for the day-to-day running of the school. We look to ensure that the school's vision is clear, relevant and fulfilled.

You can find out more about who we are and what we do on the school website: <u>www.overstone-wing.bucks.sch.uk/web/governors</u>

Contact us

We are here to help the school, staff and parents alike, so please feel free to get in touch. You may spot some of us on the school run, and we are always happy to talk. Or you can contact us through the school office or at <u>governors@overstone-wing.org</u>

Kind regards,

The Governors