



# GOVERNORS' NEWSLETTER



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## Yenton Primary School

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### Chair's Message

#### **Welcome to the third edition of the Yenton Governors' Newsletter.**

At last the summer holidays are here and I'm sure the children are ready for their long summer break - along with the staff!

We have had a great year at Yenton and we are moving forward as a school. We have received positive feedback from all of our external reviews and we secured a great outcome from our Ofsted inspection back in March, where we continue to be a "good" school. We have seen some encouraging improvement in our school data which has been demonstrated in our end of year results.

Thank you to those parents/carers who engaged in our recent Academisation Consultation. We have provided an update on the outcomes from the consultation and the Governing Board decision on the next page of this newsletter.

As always at the end of the academic year, it is time to say goodbye and to express our thanks. Our Year 6 children will be leaving us at the end of this week and moving on to their new secondary schools in September. This is the next milestone in their lives and we wish them all the very best for the future.

We have a number of staff leaving us. Mrs Armstrong is finally starting her retirement and we wish her well. Mr Hurley and Miss Firstbrook will also be leaving us and we wish them every success in their new roles. A number of our Co-opted Governors will be standing down, Elaine Jackson and Carolyn Carter, who have been serving on the Governing Board for over 6 years and Laura Reid and Vikki Brown who have been serving on the Governing Board for the past 2 years. We thank them all for their time, their hard work and the commitment they have given to the school and wish them well.

I would like to thank all the staff at Yenton for their incredibly hard work this year; to the parents and carers for all the support you have given the school and your children. A big thank you to the PTFA volunteers who have given up their own time to raise funds for the school and organise social events for our children.

Last, but not least, thank you to our wonderful Yenton children who have worked extremely hard this year and have made us all very proud.

Have a lovely and restful summer!

Vicki Popplewell  
Chair of Governing Board

## Update on the Academisation Proposals

Thank you for engaging with us during the recent Academisation Consultation. We are extremely grateful for your comments, thoughts and questions regarding the proposed academisation of Yenton School as part of Robin Hood Multi - Academy Trust. We received 18 responses to the parent/carer survey and 9 responses to the staff survey.

Parent/Carer Survey	Staff survey
<p>Do you agree with Yenton converting to academy status?</p> <p>14 (78%) agreed 2 (11%) were unsure either way 2 (11%) disagreed</p>	<p>Do you agree with Yenton Primary converting to academy status?</p> <p>6 (67%) agreed 2 (22)% were unsure either way 1 (11%) disagreed</p>
<p>Are you in favour of joining Robin Hood MAT?</p> <p>13 (72%) were in favour 3 (17%) were unsure either way 2 (11%) were not in favour</p>	<p>Are you in favour of joining Robin Hood MAT?</p> <p>7 (78%) were in favour 1 (11%) were unsure either way 1 (11%) were not in favour</p>

The consultation process has given the Governing Body confidence that all relevant points have been considered and addressed and that the action is in the best interests of Yenton School and its community. Therefore, having discussed the matter fully and in light of the responses received, the Full Governing Body voted unanimously on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018 to enter into the due diligence process with Robin Hood Multi Academy Trust with a view to joining them.

Following the Governing Board's decision, the Department of Education has agreed to issue an Academy Order to Yenton which will allow the school to proceed with the due diligence process.

It is important that we remind you that both sides (Yenton and Robin Hood MAT) have the option to remove themselves from the process at any point should it appear that this is not in the best interests of either party up until the formal signing of the funding agreement, which will then set in stone the academisation process. If Yenton goes forward with the formal agreement to become an Academy we envisage this could take place in early 2019.

We will continue to keep you updated on the process over the next few months