



Newsletter article from Governing board – 18 July 2025

The Board of Governors would like to wish parents, carers and children who attend Broadway First School a very happy summer holiday.

As Chair of the Board, I have been asked to explain what we do, as sometimes when Governors speak to parents it is clear that some people are a little confused about what we do behind the scenes.

The Board of Governors are here to ensure your children receive the best education possible and that all children are treated as individuals and receive support to their specific needs. We are here to oversee all school activities and assist the school in monitoring the quality of the curriculum, ensuring money is spent in the best possible way and to ensure that your children are safe and happy at school.

To provide an example of one of our recent actions, the Board assisted and agreed the funding to implement the Opal initiative in the playground. As governors, we monitor each subject taught in school; often by visiting the school to view lessons and look through pupils' books and talk to pupils themselves about the different subjects. By doing this we work alongside staff to identify what is working well and whether there are gaps that require attention.

The new Nursery initiative is a project which has been in development for a few years as the Board believe this is a badly needed facility for the Broadway community. It takes time and money to navigate all the requirements and regulations for what might appear to be an obvious and easy addition to the school, but we are virtually there now and look forward to opening the doors in the new academic year!

I hope from the above you understand a little better what the Board does. All those on the Board are working in a voluntary capacity and actually give up a substantial amount of their free time to carry out their duties as well as participating and supporting the school in its activities and events.

If you want to learn more about our work, please do look on the school website under the Governors section as this provides detail about our work, including the committees we run.

On behalf of the Governing Board may I wish those children leaving Year 5 the very best for their start in their new school. Please remember what you have learnt during your time at Broadway First School and do come back and visit us.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff, 'Friends' of Broadway school and all the volunteers who help to contribute so positively to school experience.

Have a great summer and we look forward to the new academic year and welcoming new pupils to our school.