

Newsletter February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

New Governors – Academy Advisory Committee

We are pleased to welcome the following Governors to the newly formed Academy Advisory group. The team is made up of parents and people who are committed to supporting our school and community. This group is led by Colin Boxall as the educationalist and Chair of Governors.

Our governors have already been in to school for an induction and will be spending lots of time with us in the coming months to ensure that we are making progress, improving the quality of teaching and learning and that children's outcomes are increasing.

I would like to say thank you to all of our Governors who take on-board this unpaid role in order to help us raise aspiration and improve life chances for our children. I hope you get the opportunity to meet them all over the coming weeks and months.



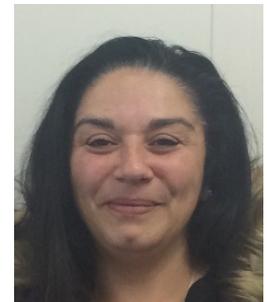
Colin Boxall
Chair of Governors



Brian Westbury
Co-opted Governor



Antemeka Cobham
Co-opted Governor



Jen Kyriacou
Parent Governor



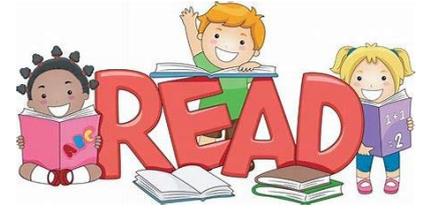
Gurgit Chabbra
Parent Governor



Ya Ngoneh Sarr
Parent Governor

Reading at Cuckoo Hall Academy

As part of our ongoing plan to improve our school we have been very busy looking at how children learn to read at Cuckoo Hall. We have identified that children across the school require more structured teaching of reading skills and that we need to improve the reading materials available to the children.



The school has now introduced two new approaches to reading which we believe will improve children's reading skills and will foster a life-long love of reading.

We would like to share our new approach to reading with you on **Thursday 7th March at 9am or 6pm**. We look forward to meeting you at either meeting. A crèche will be available for those parents that need it.

World Book Day

On Thursday 7th of March the school will be taking part in World Book Day. This year we have decided to focus on the importance of reading, rather than dressing up, and spend the day taking part in a range of fun reading activities such as Drop Everything and Read, Book Flash and teachers will also be moving round classes to share their favourite stories with children. Children have been asked to bring in their favourite book, comic or magazine to share with their class.

We will also be launching our new approach to reading on this day which parents are invited to attend.

Tottenham Hotspur Experience

Congratulations to both Cuckoo Hall football teams, who competed in an Enfield Schools' Football league, and made it all the way to the finals at the prestigious Tottenham Hotspur training ground. The children only lost out by one goal and they should all feel exceptionally proud with how they performed on the pitch and their ambassadorial behaviour off it.





Changing Meal Provision

Lunch arrangements can be changed on a half-termly basis.

Parents should notify the office **at least five school days before the end of each half term** if they wish to change their lunch arrangements from school dinner to packed lunch or vice versa (regardless of whether they are entitled to a Free School Meal) so that amendments can be made ready for the first lunch time after the school holidays.

If you need any further information with this then please pop into the school office where we will be happy to help.

Red Nose Day – Friday 15th March

This year for Red Nose Day children are being asked to bring in donations of £1 or more to the class. The class that raises the most money will see their class teacher 'get pied' in an assembly. In addition, if the teachers raise £100 then I will also 'get pied' in assembly. Lots of messy fun and giggles.



Children should also come prepared to tell their funniest jokes on the day and the best class jokes will be shared during our assembly. Children can buy their red noses in school at a cost of £1.25. These will be on sale from the end of next week.

Red Nose day will also be a non- uniform day!