



West Hill Primary School
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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to introduce the current three members of the Interim Executive Board (IEB) having just started in our governance roles with the school. I am joined by Nicola Taylor-Bashford and Dr Janet Lavelle and all three of us have extensive governance experience. In the next week, we will update the governance section of the school website with more about our experience and how the IEB works.

We are looking forward to getting to know the school ourselves, and are very grateful to the outgoing governors who have ensured we can hit the ground running, having briefed us, sharing their knowledge of the school.

We will be setting up open meetings in the next few weeks with the aim of listening to you. We would like you to tell us about your school - what the strengths of the school are and what areas you think could be even better.

There will be some differences to the governing body as meetings will not routinely be open to the public. We will invite key people to provide us with information and data about the school so that we can carry out our governance role - including the head teacher, other school staff and advisors and officers of Devon County Council. We will ensure that regular feedback is available to staff and parents through a monthly update.

We look forward to meeting you over the next few weeks and getting to know the school and its community.

With best wishes,

Dr Fiona Hammans

Chair of the IEB