

## Prior Heath Infant School

31 March 2023

### Dear Parents

Easter is almost upon us so we can look forward to brighter evenings, warmer weather and the final school term of the academic year!

Whilst the sad news of the death of Ruth Perry has not directly impacted on the school, we are ever mindful of the pressures that all staff are under in maintaining the highest possible standards for the children. We continue to perform consistently well, with our end of key stage data well above national and county figures. However, as a Governing body we also place significant emphasis on supporting the wellbeing of the children, Headteacher and all staff at the school.

### Meeting of the Governing Body 7 March 2023

#### Administration of the Governing Body

At our recent Governing Body meeting we welcomed Krasi Morris and Hayley Butt as parent governors which leaves one role still available as a co-opted Governor. If you know of anyone who would like to support the school as a Governor, please let me know and we can review their suitability as we are focussed on getting the right people to join the FGB.

#### Operational Business

We continue to visit the school each half term period to ensure that the teachers and support staff provide an excellent standard of education for all children. This also gives us the opportunity for feedback from parents and children which is very welcoming and, to date, has always been extremely positive.

#### Strategic Business

The Governors discussed the recent Schools Bill which included an increase to a 32 ½ hour school week for all schools. There were a number of reasons, including financial, which would have made the increase to our school week challenging. Further liaison with the Headteacher has acknowledged that this decision can be deferred as the Schools Bill has been halted. The Governing Body will continue to monitor this situation; however, it is unlikely to change before the next election which may result in further organisational changes!

#### The Governing Body plans to meet on:

*Tuesday 20 June 2023 for the Summer term Full Governing Body Meeting*

On behalf of The Governors, I would like to wish you all a very happy Easter and look forward to the children returning for the summer term.



Martyn Keates  
Chair of Governors