

Annual Report to Waldringfield Parish Council April 2013

We pride ourselves on being a small, family school where individual needs are met and all involved in our school are listened to and respected. On a daily basis this ethos is seen through a calm learning atmosphere that gives all children the opportunities to succeed.

The children are fundamental to our school and throughout the year the school council continues to meet weekly, the children facilitate and clerk the meeting very effectively whilst the rest of the school listen attentively.

Weekly celebrating achievement assemblies and our central Golden Tree demonstrate the pride we all take in our children's achievements and how much we value their positive contributions. Pupils feel safe at school. They understand clearly what constitutes unsafe situations and how to keep themselves safe.

We have seen an increase to our pupil roll and we currently have 88 children on our roll. Our children are organised into four classes taught by full time teachers with learning support assistants helping individuals and groups.

This year our governing body has experienced a number of changes, notably a new chair and vice chair. Mr Stuart Currie- Cathey, my new chair of governors and Mrs Tracy Milton who is the new vice chair, now ably assist me in the leadership and management of the school. Both of these individuals are parent governors and both come with a bank of experience from different professions. We do have a vacancy for a Community governor and should anyone be interested in this role please contact me through the school office.

During the school year we hold Open Days, for new parents and children, as our school survives with the assistance of children who live outside the catchment area, and we need to continue to market the school in this respect.

The school remains a committed team of individual staff and other stakeholders working hard to do the very best for all pupils, so that we can all care and share and learn together. I am always looking for new ways to embrace the village community in which our lovely school is located, thank you for your support at events throughout the year and please come and see me if you have any further ideas in which we can further the children's learning experiences together.

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