

Tuxford Academy Chair of Governors Spring term Report 2024.

Governors would like to express their appreciation for the hard work of staff and students this term.

In common with previous years, staff continue to give freely of their time offering a whole host of enrichment activities and provide extra sessions after school and on Saturdays for examination preparation.

We are proud of the achievements of staff and student diversity ambassadors in gaining the Rainbow Flag award, which recognises organisations that promote positive LGBTQ+ inclusion and visibility among young people.

We have spoken with the newly appointed student anti bullying ambassadors who have received excellent support and training from staff to equip them to undertake this important work.

We were impressed with the students with whom we met in March because of their respectful attitudes towards each other and ability to share what they value at Tuxford, alongside suggestions for improvement.

As impressive, is the fact that the academy was already putting in place and is committed to responding to the suggestions made.

Governors, in common with several outside speakers who visited the academy to offer insight into future pathways, provide incredibly positive feedback on the exemplary behaviour and attitudes shown by the students they met.

Our termly Parent Support Group meeting is important to the academy. We follow up any matters raised and report back at the next meeting which is scheduled for.

Tuesday 21 May 2024 from 5.30-7pm in the Training Room at Tuxford Academy. All parents/carers are invited to attend.

Please email Richard Charnock our parent governor, if you would like to find out more about this group or attend the next meeting.

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As governors we monitor student attendance rates. We know that a great deal of effort is put into supporting students who have difficulty in attending for a range of reasons.

Whilst our overall attendance is better than the national average, to improve to pre pandemic levels will require continued partnership working between parents/ carers and the academy. Every day really does count!!

It is with great sadness that our governor Doreen Hollingsworth lost her battle with cancer in February. Doreen made many visits to the academy and was respected for her support and contributions to assure herself that our safeguarding practice was up

to scratch as confirmed by the Ofsted inspection a year ago. Our thoughts and condolences go out to Doreen's family and friends. She will be greatly missed.

We welcomed two new representatives to the governor meetings this term. They are the President and Vice President of Post 16 students at Tuxford. These two students provide a regular route to the views of students at our termly meetings.

If you would like to know more about the work of Tuxford governors and view the minutes of our meetings, please visit the website via the link below:

<https://www.tuxford-ac.org.uk/our-academy/governance/academy-board-minutes/>

If you have any questions or comments on this update or any other matters, I can always be contacted through our governance professional Mrs Serena Baines sbaines@diverse-ac.org.uk or 01777 861402.

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Chair of Governors
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