



21st January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Finham Park 2 we are extremely fortunate to have such a supportive and professional Local Governing Body.

Governors are volunteers and their main role is to work with the school ensuring that your children receive the best education in a supportive and safe setting. To this end they have three core strategic functions which are;

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding leaders to account for the educational performance of the organisation and its students, and the effective and efficient performance management of staff
- Overseeing the financial performance of the organisation and making sure its money is well spent

This week we will be saying goodbye to Catherine Colby-Johnson as our Chair of Governors. I have worked with Catherine for almost 12 years within the Finham Park Multi Academy Trust and for almost 7 years at Finham Park 2 – she took on the role of Chair even before we had a school building, any teachers or any students! Catherine has been passionate about FP2 and incredibly supportive of the entire school having helped appoint many staff (including myself); being interviewed by the Department for Education and Ofsted; sitting on disciplinary panels; attending school and much more besides. All unpaid. All to help make Finham Park 2 the wonderful school it is today... for the good of our students.

On behalf of the staff and students, I would like to thank Catherine for all of her support, time and effort over the past 7 years.

From Monday 24th January 2022, I am pleased to announce, Antony Hopker will take on the role of Chair of Governors. Antony has been Vice Chair for almost 4 years and has been a governor from when the school opened in 2015.

Antony has lived in the Finham Park 2 catchment area his entire adult life, having studied at the University of Warwick and stayed in Coventry ever since. A communications professional, he worked in the education sector for 15 years and now works for a major energy company based in the Midlands. His parents were teachers and he has two sons, both of whom will be at secondary school by September. He's excited to be taking on this role and looks forward to engaging with you as we revisit our vision for Finham Park 2 as it continues its exciting journey as a school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr R Plester
Headteacher