

# Governor's Newsletter

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Welcome to the first edition of the Silverhill Governor's Newsletter!

First off, we'd like to thank the Senior Leadership Team and all the Teaching and Support staff for their dedication and professionalism during a difficult year.

Every day they put the quality of the education of our children at the centre of everything they do, leading to excellent progress made across the school.

We hope you enjoy this newsletter, and if you have any questions for us, don't hesitate to get in contact.



## Internet Safety

Sam and Nicola attended a talk at Ravensdale School about the importance of internet safety.



It detailed about all the "apps" children may use these days on their mobile devices and how to keep safe on these, by checking privacy settings and considering the importance of children being aware of what they information and photos they put on, and what they say, on line.

This evening was open to all parents and we would strongly advise that if the opportunity arises again to attend it is very much worth it.

## Kingfishers

I have been to the Kingfisher's class assembly this morning and it was terrific. I learnt so much about the early Kings of England, the culture of Spain and the amazing time they had of their residential trip to Lea Green. The cars produced as part of KS2 partnership with Rolls Royce showed how much talent our children have (even if a wheel did fall off!). All done with proud and confident voices.



Claire Hunter, Chair of Governors

# Outdoor Education

We start with exercises to write about their tree on printed leaves. It was good to see that the tablets and the printed material were being used by every table to research and complete their leaves. Then, after an expert demonstration from Mrs Minifie we started off on our creative venture.

I was impressed by the way fun was incorporated into learning. The morning had passed by and without realising it the children had carried out a written exercise, a creative exercise and some research work.



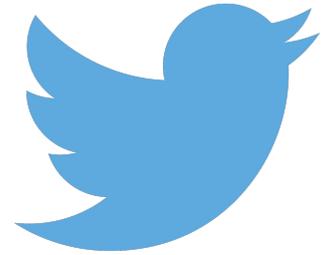
Lunchtime was fun with a group of year 1 pupils questioning what I was doing at the school. I have less trouble getting through security at work and airports!

I was looking forward to joining the Larks and Curlews party only to find out that Mrs Minifie had commandeered me for the afternoon! I was happy to assist as I knew where we had hidden some of the clues. The afternoon was spent going through clues to identify solutions. I have to admit some of the clues were very challenging!

A fun and knowledgeable day was enjoyed by this governor. It was great to see the strategy agreed by governing body in action as well as the enthusiasm of the staff and the children's enjoyment of the learning process. I would like to thank Mrs Minifie/Miss Martin/ Miss Downs and of course the wonderful children of the Barnowl and Lapwings classes. They make being a Governor a rewarding experience.

# Twitter

If you are not already, you should be following the school on twitter:



@SilverhillPrim

This account is fantastic for keeping you up to date with what is happening in school and on trips.

On a personal note, we'd like to thank the team for their frequent updates during the Year 6 trip to France - which helped contain the anxiety of our children being away in a foreign country!



Thanks Grace! Your 1st prize won us so many fantastic books for our platinum readers @DerbyBookFest @HaysEducationUK



Many visits to Mickleover Library over recent weeks. Today is the turn of the Kestrels #books

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