

Rode Heath Primary School

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GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2023

Dear Parents and Carers.

At Rode Heath Primary School our core purpose is defined in our mission statement: 'Inspiring learning, nurturing minds and achieving for life'. In order to deliver on our mission statement, our curriculum is underpinned by the school's four core values of teamwork, resilience, curiosity and fairness. These played a significant part in another exceptional year, acting as enablers to ensure we all in continue to provide a high-class education that cares for all pupils.

The school was set very clear priorities over the last year, in keeping with its purpose. The first was to ensure the wellbeing of pupils and staff. The second, the continued positive progress of all pupils. I am pleased to report that, in the view of governors, both were met and exceeded. The great resilience and teamwork of staff, along with the dedication and efforts of pupils and parents, has once again ensured very positive pupil outcomes — with progress in maths and English amongst the strongest in the area. We also had a successful visit by Ofsted, who concluded that "there is enough evidence of improved performance to suggest that the school could be judged outstanding". As such, we now look forward to a full inspection in the near future — and one we can go in to with high levels of confidence.

Last year saw the departure of Mr Leech. The governors would like to express our thanks for his exceptional efforts to the school community and truly wish him the best of success in his new role - where we know he will make great impact. We are really pleased that Mr Frankland takes up the role of Headteacher - and have full confidence in his ability and energy to continue to move the school forwards, alongside the forever dedicated staff team.

We are pleased to report sporting successes as the Y4-Y6 mixed football champions. Our athletics team won the Sandbach Town Sports Small School Shield, and we were runners-up in the cross-country league. Our engineering curriculum continues to thrive and included some school pupils appearing on BBC Ones Countryfile programme due to their engagement in the NFU Farmvention Engineering Project. Finally, it was great to see that our child-initiated fundraising projects continued, raising funds for RNLI, Dougie Mac and Alder Hey Hospital.

I would like to thank all parents, carers and the school community for their continued efforts as we work together to continue to provide a safe learning environment for all pupils.

If you would like to contact me, please feel free to email: chair@rodeheath.cheshire.sch.uk.

Kind regards, Mark Harris, Chair of Governors













