



# Droxford Junior School Governing Body *Update*

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The governing body is currently in the process of reviewing two major areas:

## *1. The School Improvement Plan (SIP)*

This is the school's strategic plan with development objectives and measurement criteria across all the key areas of the school. Every school must have a SIP. The plan is produced by the Headteacher, following consultation with a range of stakeholders, including parents. Governors have a role to play in measuring and evaluating the impact of the SIP objectives and actions.

Once the SIP is finalised, it will be published on the school website.

## *2. The School's Financial Plan*

In the context of the SIP, and the recent national funding changes, the governing body is also currently reviewing the school's 3-year financial plan.

With a couple of lower intake years, due to less numbers at our two infant feeder schools, has come additional funding challenges. All pupils are counted on a national census day in October and this sets the budget for the next financial year (which runs from April to March). The school is allocated between £3,000 and £3,500 for each child on roll. So if the school has spare places then this can start to impact the budget quite significantly.

Admissions are set to increase again from 2019, but in the meantime if you know of anyone seeking a place for their child in any of our school years, please do ask them to contact the school office who will be very happy to provide more information on attending our outstanding school.

Given our budget situation, the governing body would, again, like to give a huge thank-you to all the parents and staff who worked at the school during the 'clean-up' day. An incredible amount was accomplished. Also a big thank-you to the children and all their efforts towards the Fruit Fun Run Fundraiser. It is initiatives and teamwork such as these which help to keep our school outstanding.

We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Shannon Martin, who joined us a parent governor in November.

Should you have any queries about governor activities, or are interested in becoming a governor, please see [our website page](#) or contact the clerk to the governors Mrs Rachel Swinburn: [r.swinburn@droxford.hants.sch.uk](mailto:r.swinburn@droxford.hants.sch.uk)

Finally, we would like to wish you all a very happy and successful New Year.

*Keston Williams, Chair of Governors*