

# END OF YEAR NEWSLETTER

July, 2025

## A year of focused improvement



### Improving quality of education

Quality of education has been a real focus of both governors and school leadership this year. Staff have worked on all areas of the curriculum to strengthen the offer we provide and ensure this is being delivered as effectively as possible.

All staff have undergone additional phonics training and staff have redoubled efforts to ensure keep up sessions are in place for children who would benefit from extra support. The success of this program in supporting our children's early reading skills is evidenced by fantastic results in the year 1 phonics screening test. These are a real credit to the Year 1 children and to Miss Gill (who taught them for phonics this year).

We have also recently received the results of this year's SATs tests. We can't provide full details until we receive the validated results in September, but we are delighted to be able to report that these were also

outstanding, with a combined score that was significantly higher than the national average.

We were particularly impressed with the number of children achieving greater depth, indicating a very high standard of attainment. Congratulations to all the Year 6 children and their teachers, Mrs Lay and Mrs James. All these initiatives were led by Mrs Howard, and we would particularly like to thank her for her drive and commitment to delivering the highest quality of education to Hauxton children. She has had a tremendous impact on the school this year, and we intend to continue to build on the foundations she has put in place next year.

### Wraparound care

Introducing a breakfast club to ensure the school provides full wraparound care was a key goal of the governing body for this year. We are very pleased this

has been running successfully since the Spring term, with gradually increasing uptake.

As well as being of benefit to current parents, we hope this will also attract new working families to Hauxton in the years to come

### Governor monitoring visits

One of the pleasures of being a school governor is going into school to conduct monitoring visits. This year we have focused on increasing the number of governor visits, as these are an important way in which we hold the school to account.

During the year, governors have been into the school on focused monitoring visits in a range of areas, including phonics, SEND, pupil premium, safeguarding, finance and wellbeing. We are happy to report that all visits have been positive, and the school environment has always been warm and friendly.

When we have observed classes, children have been well behaved and engaged in their learning. They are also always happy to talk to us about what they're working on.



### Governing Body vacancy

All governance boards have three core functions:

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

We, as Governors, are immensely proud of what has been achieved by everyone this year. Governance has enabled us to support the leadership team and staff in providing the best learning environment and curriculum for the children at Hauxton.

We currently have a vacancy for a coopted governor. This could be a parent or other member of the community. Please email Georgie at [chair@hauxton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:chair@hauxton.cambs.sch.uk) if you are interested in this important and rewarding role.



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### Contact Us

We are always keen to hear the view of parents. Please feel free to tell us what you think at any time. You can contact us by:

- Leaving a note/comment addressed to the Chair of Governors with Mrs Dennington in the school office
- Emailing: [chair@hauxton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:chair@hauxton.cambs.sch.uk)