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Dear Parents/carers

I would like to introduce myself and the new members of the governing body at Oak View school.

There have been a significant number of changes in governors since the start of term. I have stepped in as the chair of governors having previously been a chair at primary school. I am also the chair of governors at a secondary school in Hertfordshire.

In addition, we have been lucky enough to appoint a number of new governors with Natalie Lawson joining us as a parent governor, Shellian Santana as a Local authority governor and Rev Roger Chapman as a co-opted governor and vice chair. I am sure all of our new governors will make a real difference to the governance of the school and I hope that you will get to meet us all in the coming weeks and months.

Our work as governors falls under 3 main headings;

- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction

My aim is to strengthen the work of the governors to meet these priorities and I would very much like to hear from you directly if there are any areas that you would like to discuss with governors or have any concerns or questions.

Please feel free to email me directly; governors@oakview.herts.sch.uk

I would stress however that we do not deal with any operational or student specific issues that parents/carers may have. If you have any specific concerns, you should continue to engage using the normal channels of communication.

In the meantime I would like to wish you all a restful Christmas break.

Yours sincerely

Anthony Kent



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