



Grasslot Governor's Newsletter

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Working together to find the spark in every child and fan it into a flame.



Hello, I am Patsy Harvey, your Chair of Governors.

I have an educational background, having taught in St. Benedict's Secondary School, Whitehaven for 25 years.

As I am now retired, I can enjoy helping the staff in the Early Years. Although I worked in a secondary school mainly, I have also been a Supply Teacher, working in Copeland and Allerdale, with all ages of children. I was a trained Playgroup Assistant when my children were young, but my most valuable experience was gained by raising my own three children and five grandchildren.

I live in Whitehaven, but my husband and I love to visit places along the Solway Coast. We stay on the caravan park at Maryport so we can walk from the harbour and appreciate the views.

It is a pleasure to work in Grasslot School on a regular basis, where I feel valued by the staff and have the chance to spend time with your wonderful children.

This term in school, the Governors have:

- ❖ Appointed a class teacher for Year 1.
- ❖ Carried out a health and safety site inspection.
- ❖ Monitored maths, looking at the White Rose Maths scheme and the Maths Wizz program. We discussed the progress of children in KS1, and resources needed for the future.
- ❖ Visited classes across the school and talked to the children about their work using floorbooks.
- ❖ Monitored EYFS, looking at progress and interventions.
- ❖ Monitored science, DT, computing and PSHE.
- ❖ Created a safeguarding report.
- ❖ Monitored English, looking at progress and impact in phonics, writing and Talk Time.