

## Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

With the change to a three year key stage 4 from September 2018 we have had to have an options process for both Years 8 and 9 this year which involves over 450 students making choices, having options appointments and then further discussions with some parents/carers and students to resolve any options issues. This process was completed for current Year 9 at Easter and students received their letters. We are now almost at the end of the process for Year 8 and students will receive their letters soon. Thank you for your patience with this.

There are now only 15 school days until the start of public exams on May 14th. Preparation for these exams should be the priority for every Year 11 and 13 through their attendance in school, taking advantage of all the intervention sessions at lunchtimes and after school and of course revision at home. Students are welcome to use the Hub to revise after school if they find that a better and quieter environment in which to study. All students in Year 11 will receive a personalised timetable for the exam period (May 14th – June 20th) which indicates the time and location of exam preparation sessions prior to each exam.

A position for a Parent Governor has arisen and is now being advertised. Please see the attached letter and nomination form for information, but should you wish to discuss further please do contact me and I will be happy to answer any queries.

The Uniform Shop in Kirkham now has an online shop for Carr Hill where our main school uniform and PE kits can be purchased. You can access it via the following web address: <http://www.ualonline.com/product-category/schoolwear/kirkham/carr-hill-high-school/>

You might have read in the News section of our website that four of our Sports Leaders have recently been chosen to join Lancashire Young Coaches Academy. We are thrilled that out of 68 applications for 25 places, 4 of them went to our students. As part of their new roles as young Coaches they have devised a sports club aimed particularly at those students who don't take part in extracurricular sports. It is an inclusive sports club open to all Year 7, 8 and 9 students regardless of their sport-



ing ability or fitness levels. We'd like to encourage our less active students to go along and have a go at games such as table tennis and dodgeball. As well as helping students stay active it also promises to be a lot of fun. More information can be found on the website, social media and on the digital signage screens around school.

Finally, well done to all the Year 10 students who took part in the Dance Academy try outs on Wednesday. We hope you all enjoyed the experience and good luck with the results.

With best wishes,

Andrew Waller  
Headteacher

## Meet the Governors

**The school governors have a wide and varied role in the running of the school. Their main objective is to act as a critical friend providing strategic leadership and accountability to the leadership team and staff. They work with Mr Waller and the rest of the SLT to help make decisions on all sorts of matters from setting targets, to authorising policies and appointing senior staff members. Here Governor, Councillor Paul Rigby tells us a bit about his role and drive to be a Governor:**



I have been married for 41 years and have a daughter, a son and 2 grandchildren. I have lived and farmed in the Fylde all my life. Having always been community minded, I have served on Fylde Borough Council for 24 years, was Mayor of the Borough in 2009/10 municipal year and also served on Bryning with Warton Parish Council for 28 years. I represented the Borough Council on the board at New Fylde Housing, Chairing them through their transition as a Social Rented Landlord from being Council led. In 2009 I was elected as a County Councillor, and joined the Governing body of Carr Hill shortly after. I have also served as a Governor at St Paul's School in Warton for 20 years and Chaired or been a member of various other committees surrounding village life.

### Dates for the Diary:

**Thursday 3rd May**  
**Year 7 Parents' Evening**

**Friday 4th May**  
**Year 9 Exam Week**

**Monday 7th May**  
**School Closed for Bank Holiday**

**Monday 14th May**  
**Public Exam Summer Series starts**

# Outstanding Achievement Awards:



Olivia Apollo College    Max Ceres College    Emily Juno College    Logan Mercury College    Monique Minerva College    Daniel Poseidon College

Well done to all these students who have achieved a superb number of merits this week.

## Dramatic scenes in History as Year 7 study the plague



Year 7 History students have been bringing their studies to life by developing role plays and news reports to help them understand more about the horrors of living in plague ridden England in the medieval period. Here our 'Plague Correspondent' Emma in M16 shares her account.

Life during the plague was dark and dismal, with a stench of decaying flesh rising from the pits enough to make anyone nauseous. Farmers were challenged and overworked; families were distraught, with relatives in the pit; children's hunger had risen.

Farmers faced a decrease in farm-hands which led to a downfall of crops. This then impacted on families who had little supplies to feed their family.

On the other hand, people living in castles had plenty of food, yet lacked certain food types.

The plague was like dominoes, wherever you were in the line, you would still topple over; whoever you were. The richest and poorest of people - wealth did not play a part with the plague. The strongest castles, the strongest shelters, neither were strong enough to protect those from the plague. All were affected, no one was safe.

Teacher Ms Oakes said, "I was really impressed with the quality of the work that the students created both through the role plays and their news reports. It was an interesting way of developing their understanding around this era and helping them to have more of an insight into what life was like for the people of that time."

## Inclusive Sports Club

Four of Carr Hill's Sports Leaders have set up a new sports club in the hope that it encourages less active students to join in.

Sports Leaders Tom and Millie in Year 10 and Katie and Emily in Year 11 who have recently been selected to join Lancashire Young Coaches Academy, have created the club to entice less active students to join in with extra-curricular sports, whatever their fitness level or ability. The 'Inclusive Sports Club' is open to all Year 7, 8 and 9 students and will showcase sports such as badminton, table tennis, handball, dodgeball and volleyball in the hope that students who historically haven't participated will develop a new found love of sport. Incentives such as an invite to the prestigious annual 'Sportsmans' Dinner' if they attend 7 out of 10 sessions and a dinner hall queue jump card if they bring a friend are on offer too.

Sports Leader and Young Coach Katie in Year 11 said, "It is well known that sport not only improves fitness levels, but also goes a long way in helping students feel happier and better in themselves as well as helping them concentrate and learn better in class. We really hope that the club is a success and students know that they can come along whatever their sporting ability or fitness to have some fun, make new friends and get a little bit more active".

Mr Doughty added, "This is specifically for students who think they aren't sporty. Absolutely everyone can benefit from being a bit more active and I'd really like to encourage those students who haven't participated in extra-curricular sport before to come along and give it a go".



## Contact Us:

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20<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

**Parent Governor Election  
Notice of Election**

Parent Governors are elected by the parents of pupils at the School to serve a four year term of office. An election for one Parent Governor is now necessary as there is one vacancy with immediate effect.

A Parent is defined as any individual who has Parental responsibility for, or cares for a child or young person under the age of 19, registered at this school. Parents are therefore requested to make nominations for this vacancy using the attached Nomination Form. You may, if you wish, put yourself forward as a candidate but all candidates must be proposed and seconded by two other parents of pupils attending Carr Hill. Please read the information provided with the Nomination Form.

The timetable for the Election is:-

1. Nomination Form to be returned to me by 12.00 noon on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018
2. Ballot papers to be sent to all parents on Friday May 4<sup>th</sup> 2018  
(Voting will only take place if there are more nominations than vacancies)
3. Ballot Papers to be returned to me by 12.00 noon on Monday May 14<sup>th</sup> 2018
4. The votes will be counted at 1.30 p.m. on, Monday May 14<sup>th</sup> 2018 after which the result will be announced.

Governors have an important and influential role to play in the life of our School, and I do hope you will be able to take part in this election by becoming a Candidate and by casting your vote when the time comes. It would be particularly beneficial, to compliment the skill set of the current Governors, if you had a background in business or finance though this not essential.

If you require any further information about being elected to the Governing Body, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



Andrew Waller

Headteacher/Returning Officer for Governor Election

## **Information**

### **A. Eligibility**

1. All parents of pupils at the school and, in the case of maintained nursery schools, parents of children for whom educational or other provision is made on the premises of the school can be nominated as a candidate for a parent governor election except for:
  - (a) Elected Members of the Local Authority
  - (b) Anyone paid to work at the school for more than 500 hours in any consecutive 12 month period.

### **B. Nomination**

1. Any parent who wants to be nominated has to be proposed and seconded by two other parents of pupils (children) at the school using the nomination form on the page opposite. It should be completed and sent to the Returning Officer by 12.00 noon on Monday 30 April 2018. Please note there can be no extension beyond this time and date.
2. Candidates should complete the reverse of the nomination form with biographical details. This information will be sent with the voting papers to all parents to help them decide how to use their votes.

### **C. Parent Governors**

(See also information sheet on parent governors)

1. The governing body of the school has several categories of governor, and "parent governor" is one of these categories. All governors carry equal status.
2. Responsibility rests in the governing body as a whole. Individual governors only have responsibility collectively in the governing body. To be a governor does not give personal authority.
3. The term of office for a parent governor is 4 years, and a parent governor does not have to resign if his/her child ceases to be a pupil at the school before that period of time ends, though s/he may do so if s/he wishes.

### **D. Disqualification**

Regulations disqualify certain individuals from becoming a governor. The attached appendix lists the disqualification criteria. Prospective governors should read it carefully before proceeding with their nomination.

## Nomination Form

Before completing this form please read the notes on the opposite page. **Please note: nominee, proposer and seconder must all be parents of a child attending Carr Hill High School and Sixth Form Centre.**

	<b>SURNAME, INITIALS Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms.</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>SIGNATURE</b>
Nominee	(Capitals)		
Proposer	(Capitals)		
Seconder	(Capitals)		

**Declaration of Nominee:** I am willing to accept nomination and confirm that I am not disqualified from becoming a Governor. Should I be elected and subsequently become disqualified I undertake to notify the clerk in writing.

Should I be elected I understand that information on my Governorship will be made available to the County Council for its use in providing support to school Governors\*.

\* In this respect the Data Controller is Lancashire County Council and the nominated officer for data protection is the Data Protection Officer.

Signed: ..... Date: .....

This form must be returned to the Headteacher/Returning Officer by 12.00 noon on Monday, 30 April 2018. Late nominations will not be accepted.



## APPENDIX D

### A. DISQUALIFICATION FROM HOLDING A GOVERNORSHIP

Regulations disqualify certain individuals from becoming a Governor. Before your nomination can be considered you are required to confirm that you are not disqualified from becoming a Governor. **Failure to submit a declaration will debar you from consideration as a Governor.** You are required to notify the clerk, in writing, if you subsequently become disqualified from continuing as a Governor.

Further information on any of the criteria can be found in the School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012, Schedule 4. This section refers specifically to disqualification from governorship. Alternatively you may contact Governor Services on 01524 581215.

#### Qualification and Disqualification Criteria

##### General

- Registered pupils cannot be governors.
- A governor must be aged 18 or over at the time of election or appointment.
- A person cannot hold more than one governor post at the same school at the same time.

##### Particular categories of governor

- A person cannot be a parent governor if they are an elected member of the local authority or paid to work at the school for more than 500 hours in any consecutive twelve month period (at the time of election or appointment).

##### Failure to attend meetings

- A person is disqualified from being a governor of a particular school if they have failed to attend the meetings of the governing body of that school for a continuous period of six months, beginning with the date of the first meeting they failed to attend, without the consent of the governing body. This does not apply to the headteacher or to foundation governors appointed by virtue of their office.
- A foundation, local authority, co-opted or partnership governor at the school who is disqualified for failing to attend meetings is only disqualified from being a governor of any category at the school during the twelve month period starting on the date on which they were disqualified.

##### Bankruptcy

A person is disqualified from holding or continuing to hold office as a governor of a school if:

- Their estate has been sequestrated and the sequestration has not been discharged, annulled or reduced; or
- They are the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order, an interim bankruptcy restrictions order, a debt relief restrictions order or an interim debt relief restrictions order.

### **Disqualification of Company Directors**

A person is disqualified from holding, or from continuing to hold, office as a governor of a school at any time when they are subject to:

- A disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986;
- A disqualification order under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002;
- A disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002; or
- An order made under section 429 (2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under county court administration order).

### **Disqualification of Charity Trustees**

A person is disqualified from holding or from continuing to hold, office as a governor of a school if they have:

- Been removed from the office of trustee for a charity by an order made by the Charity Commission or Commissioners of the High Court on the grounds of misconduct or mismanagement or
- Been removed, under section 34 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, from being concerned in the management or control of any body.

Persons whose employment is prohibited or restricted

A person is disqualified from holding or from continuing to hold office as a governor of a school at any time when they are:

- Included in the list of teachers or workers considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children or young people;
- Barred from any regulated activity relating to children;
- Disqualified from working with children or from registering for childminding or providing day care;
- Disqualified from being an independent school proprietor, teacher or employee by the Secretary of State.

### **Criminal Convictions**

A person is disqualified from holding or continuing to hold office as a governor if they have:

- Been sentenced to three months or more in prison (without the option of a fine) in the five years before becoming a governor or since becoming a governor;
- Received a prison sentence of two years or more in the 20 years before becoming a governor;
- At any time received a prison sentence of five years or more;
- Been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the five years prior to or since appointment or election as a governor.

#### **Refusal to make an application for a criminal records certificate**

A person is disqualified from holding or continuing to hold office as a governor if they refuse a request by the clerk to the governing body to make an application to the Criminal Records Bureau for a criminal records certificate.