

For the parents, carers, and school community of Pixmore Junior School

## A Wonderful Year

We have had an exciting and fun-filled year at Pixmore where we have seen pupils once again enjoying the wide range of opportunities that we have to offer. In our amazing inter-school tournaments, from rugby to cricket, golf and speed-stacking; we have seen our pupils excel at a wide range of sporting activities. Some of our teams have even reached county finals!



Once again Mrs Inman has led 14 local schools through the ever-growing writing completion, something we are incredibly proud of. Our pupils have also had a wide range of opportunities to engage in the arts, from trips to the Royal Opera House to working with local artists on a jubilee themed project and so much more. Additionally, our STEM activities have hopefully inspired budding scientists and engineers, year 6 enterprise week has helped develop our pupils' business skills and our humanities theme days have sparked pupils' curiosity in the past and the world around them.



Our Pixmore family moves into the next academic year with a wonderful teaching and support team, here to help your children through the next year of their education which is guided by an incredibly strong Senior Leadership team, steered now by our co-heads Mrs Evans and Mrs Inman. I do hope you all have a lovely summer holiday and come back excited to have another enriching year at Pixmore in September.



Caroline Nicholson (Chair of Governors)



## Welcome to Our Future Year 3 and Farewell Year 6

I would like to offer a very warm welcome on behalf of the Governing body to all our prospective year 3 pupils, parents, and carers who are about to join our thriving Pixmore community. I know everyone within the school is excited to meet the children and we look forward to getting to know you all over the coming years. Please make sure you are signed up to our ParentMail and MarvellousMe apps to keep up to date with everything your child is doing in school.

We will be welcoming all parents and carers, from every year group into school on 28<sup>th</sup> September for a McMillian coffee morning. Come and say hello to members of the SLT, meet some of our governing board and learn more about the PSA, all while enjoying some yummy cakes! Further details will be sent out in September.

I would also like to say farewell to the students, parents and careers leaving us this year from year 6 for this exciting next chapter. We hope you take everything you have gained at Pixmore with you, and we wish you every success in your new schools.

## Governor Recruitment

We are very lucky at Pixmore to have an enthusiastic and committed governing body with a diverse range of skills. However, in September we will be running Parent Governor elections, looking to appoint two new Parent Governors. Being a governor is an incredibly fulfilling role and one way in which you can become more involved in the Pixmore community, contributing to the success of the school. Becoming a governor can also help you develop skills and gain experience that may be beneficial for your own personal or professional development.

Governors are involved in decisions about all aspects of managing the school – such as running buildings and budgets, supporting staff, and setting school standards. We also help to make big decisions about the school’s long-term goals and direction. We support the Headteacher and the Senior Leadership Team, but also ask questions and ensure that the school is achieving everything it sets out to do. The most important qualities for being a governor are enthusiasm, commitment, and an interest in education.

Some of my personal highlights during my time in this role include judging the writing competitions and getting to enjoy the children’s creative writing, meeting with the school council each year and hearing their ideas and our regular pupil voice meetings where we get to hear directly from the students how they feel about being a pupil at Pixmore.

Here are just some quotes taken from serving governors about how they feel about their role.

“It’s great to feel that you are supporting the school and giving back to the community”

“Being a governor allows me to play an active role in my child’s school.”

“I really enjoy my interactions with the pupils, hearing their thoughts and feelings about their school

“Getting to be a key part in the management of Pixmore, a school that genuinely cares so much about each and every pupil, is a real privilege’

“It doesn’t matter if you don’t have a background in education, just a willingness to help and support your local school and make it the best it can possibly be”

More details about the application process will be sent out in September. In the meantime, feel free to contact me at [governors@pixmore.herts.sch.uk](mailto:governors@pixmore.herts.sch.uk) if you have any questions or check out our [guide to being governor](#), available on the website.