



Crosby Ravensworth C.E. (A) Primary School

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Governors' Newsletter July 2025

From our new local authority governor, Neil McCall

When Neil Hughes retired to France and hence gave up his position as local authority appointed governor, I indicated that I was prepared to take up this position, being the Westmorland and Furness council member for the ward including Crosby Ravensworth. I mean, over the last few years I had been telling people that I thought it was a great school and only wished we had been able to bring our children up with them attending such a school, with its courteous children, rich extra-curricular activities and dedicated staff. No sooner had I been appointed than the dreaded word OFSTED was being bandied about – As a new governor I wondered was it really such a good school after all or was it just the benefits of being small – the forthcoming inspection would soon find out!

At the inspector's meeting with governors I tried to assess the mood – it SEEMED relaxed and positive, but still it was a great relief to be told that we had been given an interim assessment of GOOD in all five areas, and this was formally confirmed a couple of weeks later.

This doesn't of course mean that we can rest on our laurels for the next few years, the school has to maintain its current standards of excellence and consider how to resolve any areas for development identified in the inspection. In the meantime thank you to Duncan and his team for all they do to give the children of Crosby and surrounding villages such a good start in life.

Wishing staff, parents, fellow governors and especially all of our children a happy and relaxing summer,

Neil

A love of learning for life in all its fullness John 10:10
Courage, Compassion, Community



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