

To all parents and carers

End of term newsletter from our Chair our Governors

After eight years serving as Chair of Governors at Hillock Primary Academy, and nearly 2 terms of office, I will soon be stepping down from my role. It is with genuine sadness that I say farewell, but also with great pride and optimism for the future of our wonderful school.

Hillock has always been a place defined by its nurturing spirit and collegiate approach — where staff, pupils, and governors work together with shared purpose and care. I have been privileged to witness the dedication of our team and the resilience of our pupils, and I am proud to have played a small part in supporting the school on its improvement journey. From standing knee-deep in a river at Perlethorpe alongside our Year 3 and 4 pupils in the ultimate Teaching and Learning monitoring visit, handing out Values Awards at the end of the academic year, representing Hillocks to the Trust and external agencies, interviewing for staff and navigating complex school and Trust matters — every experience has deepened my admiration for the people who make this school so special.

As I prepare to hand over the reins, I am eager to see Hillock welcome new governors who will bring fresh perspectives, ideas, and energy. Governance thrives on diversity of thought, and I am confident that the next chapter will build on the strong foundations we have established together.

I leave with immense pride in what Hillocks stands for — a school that supports so many pupils, values every individual, and continues to grow as a caring, ambitious community. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here and wish everyone involved — staff, pupils, families, and governors — the very best for the future. I look forward to watching Hillock's journey continue with excitement and admiration.

Sue Beasley

Chair of Governors, Hillock Primary Academy