

## **Governor Newsletter**

As 2023 draws to a close I would like to thank all those involved with the academy – staff, students, parents and governors for supporting the school with its behaviour and attendance policies and encouraging a positive attitude to learning, all of which are making a difference to the culture.

We are delighted to welcome Henry Diamond as our permanent Principal. He is already making significant impact and we look forward to working with him to drive school improvement.

I have made it into school on many occasions to see all the good work that is taking place. I was particularly impressed with the respect shown at the Remembrance Day service. I enjoyed talking to many staff, students and parents on open day; what a show the academy put on! I have no doubt future students and their parents left with positive feelings about the place. I was enthused by the level of preparation seen at the 6<sup>th</sup> form and year 11 mock interviews; it was good to see so many with clear aspirations for the future.

We have welcomed new governors to our team, you can find out about us by looking at our Bios in the Governor Membership List on the Academy website. We have a very diverse mix of people who give up their time to challenge and support the school, our collective goal being to make sure that Holgate students can achieve their best possible outcomes with their health, safety and wellbeing at heart.

I would like to wish everyone a lovely rest over the holidays and look forward to meeting with more of you next year. Governors are represented at most events wearing green lanyards – please come over and introduce yourselves.

**Kate Turner**

**Chair of Governors**