

Chair of Local Academy Committee - Annual Report 2025- 2026

It has been another exciting year at Bannockburn Primary School and we were delighted to welcome a number of children from Gallions Mount following its closure. We are pleased that the children settled in quickly and are enjoying life at Bannockburn.

As a school we continue to maintain the high standards expected by Ofsted and the Local Academy Committee remains strong. The ACM is supported by the Trustees from PolyMAT. Staff and children alike, work hard together to maintain a strong safe school. A recent pupil survey reported that children felt safe and happy at school and that their suggestions and concerns were heard and acted upon.

The school journey to Center Parcs was another resounding success with all 47 children taking part in a variety of activities including swimming, cycling, tree trekking and climbing. The holiday gives the children the opportunity to add to their social and independence skills by cooking and eating together, keeping their rooms tidy and generally learning to live with other people.

The school community continues to develop their understanding of mental health and wellbeing, through children's workshops, staff and governor training, and parent coffee mornings. This subject is now an inclusive part of the curriculum. Sats week went smoothly with children enjoying a good breakfast before the day started and teachers ensuring a stress free environment for the exams.

I am pleased to report that that we continue to offer an extensive range of sports to our children, working closely with the Greenwich Schools Partnership and regularly entering teams in local competitions including Cricket, Football and BMX racing.

The Daily Mile & Mini Chef are established activities promoting health and wellbeing not only to our children but families too. All of our children are encouraged to be as active and healthy as possible. At the High Street site, with the help of our dedicated staff and enthusiastic children we have continued to maintain our superb flower and vegetable garden and have once again achieved the London Children's Flower Society Gold award.

Our Community Fun Run continues to be a popular event with fun runners and more serious runners taking part in the 5k and 10k events. This year over 200 children and their families entered into the 2k fun run and we proudly raised close to a £1,000 for Cancer Research UK.

Vision for 2026/2027

The ACM's will continue to work in partnership with Mrs Ford, the staff and our colleagues in the PolyMAT community to set out the strategic direction for the next academic year and continue to build on all the wonderful opportunities the school has provided for children and families this year. We look forward to working in partnership with all stakeholders in the school for what promises to be another successful year!

Have a lovely summer and a restful break.

Kind regards,

Sue Kimmins

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