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## From Mrs G Jennings - Clerk to the Governors Election of new Staff Governor

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I write to inform you that Cheney School has recently appointed a new Staff Governor, following the departure of Mr Joe Ewen. As we received more than one application for the post, we held an election, in which all Cheney School staff were eligible to vote.

I am delighted to announce that we now have the results of the election, and Ms Judy Gleen has been elected as a Staff Governor. Ms Gleen's profile is below:

'This is my fifth year at Cheney and I feel like I now have enough experience of the school, students and staff to be able to have a positive impact at the level of the whole school. This is my third year as Head of the Humanities Faculty; I started Cheney as Second in Geography and moved on to Head of Geography in my first two years. This gives me a good insight in to a number of different aspects of the school and the workloads of different members of staff.

I also represent the Heads of Faculty on the Respect For Learning working party and recognise the importance of staff voice in the wider workings of the school. I believe that firstly, as a school, we are entrusted with providing opportunities and skills for all our young people and need to work as a team to facilitate these, and secondly that our staff is our most important asset in achieving this and so we need to nurture and cultivate all staff.

It was acting as a Clerk for the Governors in my first year at Cheney that I decided I wanted to apply for Staff Governor. Not only was the experience incredibly interesting but I also learnt a huge amount about the running of schools that I hadn't previously experienced. The importance of the work being done at Governors meetings led me to the decision that I would apply, once I'd had enough experience of the school.

I recognise and value the importance of this role and I hope to be able to best represent the needs and wishes of the staff body and the wider needs of the school in general.'

The Governing Body is also delighted to have appointed two new Community Governors: Mr Bill Asquith and Mr Tom Gardiner. More information about our Governing Body can be found on our website:

<http://www.cheney.oxon.sch.uk/governors>

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions at all regarding the Cheney School Governor Body.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Jennings  
Clerk to the Governors

