



Welcome to our governance news update

Summer seems to have arrived just as the exam season is ending and all the lovely summer term activities in schools are taking place.

Please take a look at the details of our free events and briefings at the end of the newsletter. They are relevant to all governing boards, maintained and academies, and free to attend whether you subscribe to our training or not

If you have any queries about the articles in this newsletter, do get in touch. We always love to hear from you.

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National Updates



Impact of UK climate change risk on the delivery of education

In response to an independent assessment, the Department for Education (DfE) has reviewed how climate change risk could impact education delivery.

[Summary of findings in relation to 3 climate risks: overheating, flooding and water scarcity - GOV.UK](#)

Artificial Intelligence

Free support materials for school and college leaders about using AI (artificial intelligence) effectively and safely.

These materials are designed to help school and college leaders implement safely and securely. They should be used in conjunction with the other modules and training materials about [using AI in education settings](#).

[Using AI in education: support for school and college leaders - GOV.UK](#)

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PE and sport premium for primary schools – return submission due

From 2025, all primary schools need to complete the digital expenditure reporting return for the 2024 to 2025 academic year.

The return outlines:

- how the school has used its PE and sport premium
- the impact the premium has had on achieving the aims and objectives of the funding

The digital expenditure reporting return opened on Wednesday 11 June. **It will close on Thursday 31 July.**

The guidance has been updated to reflect this, and a link has been to guidance on how to complete the return.

[PE and sport premium for primary schools - GOV.UK](#)

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Oxfordshire Updates

Traded Services Buyback - closing on 30th June 2025



A reminder to ensure that you have signed up to our range of traded service subscriptions for the next academic .This includes **GovernorHub**, the **Clerking Service**, **Governor and Clerks' training programmes**.



Governor Services
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We are also for the second year offering **National Governance Association (NGA) membership** at reduced cost. We value the resources and advice given by the NGA and highly recommend schools become members.



All subscriptions can be found in the store at [Education Services](#).

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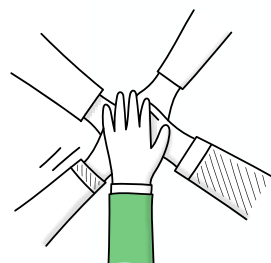
Governor Services Training

Governor Services training programme

The second half of our summer term training programme is in full swing. Courses can be booked on [GovernorHub](#) or by emailing governortraining@oxfordshire.gov.uk

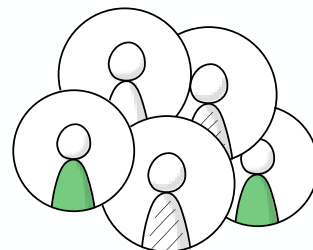
For full details of the programme this term, see [here](#)

Please check whether your board subscribes to the programme before attending (see below for charging structure)



FREE Summer term Governor briefing

Our last governor briefing of the academic year will be held on **26th June 2025**. These sessions are **FREE** for all to attend, whether your school subscribes to our training programme or not. To book a place, please register [here](#)



Heads & Chairs Briefing – FREE to attend

Professor Dr Kate Reynolds, Deputy Director of Education and Inclusion, would like to invite you to the next **Heads and Chairs Briefing**. The meeting will be taking place **via Teams on Thursday, 10 July 2025 from 4:00pm – 5:00pm**. The agenda will be made available a week prior to the meeting.

Places can be booked via [GovernorHub](#) or by emailing governortraining@oxfordshire.gov.uk

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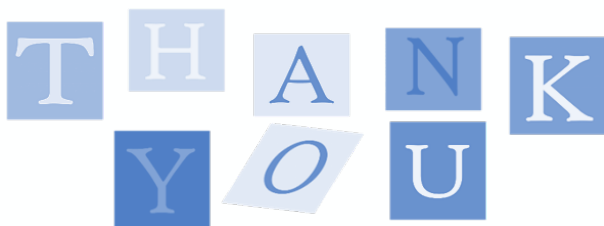
New – FREE Event 30th June 2025 7pm-8:30pm Feeding Success: a whole school approach to enhancing wellbeing, learning and performance through nutrition

This session will explore how improving food and nutrition in schools supports learning and wellbeing for all. The session will also look at how to foster a healthy food culture in a school and provide a framework for this to be evaluated by governors or key staff.

Governors will:

- Have a clear understanding of how diet, food and nutrition can impact performance and behaviour of young people at school
- Gain key insights into the Eatwell Guide as a model for healthy eating promoting both physical and mental health
- Understand how the wider food environment and culture in their own school can contribute positively to young people's wellbeing through nutrition
- Gain resources to facilitate governor visits to assess the food culture in their school.

Places can be booked through [GovernorHub](#) or by emailing governortraining@oxfordshire.gov.uk.



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Our next newsletter will be published on Friday 4th July 2025.

With very best wishes

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