

# Sebert Wood Primary School

## Parent/Carer Update



Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we interviewed more than twenty of our Year 5 pupils who had applied to be Wellbeing Champions. The children completed application forms and were asked why they thought they'd be good for the role, what they know about mental health and how they manage their own feelings. We were so impressed by their desire to give back to the school and help others, particularly from those pupils who had received help with their own feelings in the past. Those who were successful will be receiving training next week on how to be a good listener, how the brain reacts to 'big feelings' and coping strategies. They will then be able to support other pupils at lunchtimes or breaktimes.

This week also saw the end of Jamie Gaskin's term as Chair of Governors. Jamie had been a governor since 2013 and proved a calm and steady influence on the running of the school. He led work on how the school had fared during the pandemic, was heavily involved during our Ofsted inspection and oversaw the recruitment process for new school leaders following Mr Dewhurst's departure. The school is grateful for the time and effort he put into the role and wishes him luck for the future. He is succeeded in the role by Sharon Perry, an existing school governor.

Our younger pupils are busily rehearsing their Christmas performances – our apologies if you're fed up of hearing the songs already! **All yeargroups will perform a song at our FOSWS Christmas event which takes place on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – more details to follow.

Finally, if you're heading into town this weekend take some time to see the Christmas tree in the Traverse – its decorations were made by our Year 4 pupils!

Have a great weekend,

Mr James Tottie and Mr Jamie Winch

