



## Hello Amotherby School Community!

Summer is here and so is the **Governing Board Termly Newsletter**. We hope you and your children have had a great school year. Thanks for your engagement throughout and a big thanks to our amazing children and staff for all their hard work.

## How does the board ensure the school is performing at its best?

In the Spring Term Edition, we highlighted the role of the board, overseeing the school's priorities, monitoring finances, and holding the headteacher accountable. But how do we do this? Here's some of the ways we drive our school's performance:

- **Regular Board Meetings:** We meet six times a year as a full board to discuss progress and make important decisions.
- **Data Analysis:** We look at pupil performance, attendance, and behaviour to spot trends and areas for improvement.
- **School Visits:** We visit the school to observe lessons and talk to staff, children and the headteacher to examine specific areas including SEND provision, curriculum, safeguarding, attendance, school improvement and finances.
- **Performance Reviews:** We review the headteacher's performance and set targets aligned to the school development plan.
- **External Reports:** We review assurance reports from bodies like the Local Authority and Ofsted for an independent assessment.

By doing these things, we ensure our school is always improving.

## Board Talking Points

### ***Finances***

This term, we approved the school's budget for 2025/26. In these challenging economic times, all schools are facing tough decisions, and Amotherby is no exception. The board has carefully reviewed our financial resources to identify savings and ensure that our funds align with the school's priorities. This approach ensures that resources are allocated where they are needed most, prioritising the commitments in our school development plan.

### ***Outcomes 2025***

We are thrilled to share that Amotherby has achieved exceptional Key Stage 2 results for 2025! Our pupils' hard work and dedication have placed us in the top 10% of schools nationally for SATs results.

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Here are some highlights:

- **93%** of our pupils achieved the expected standard in both Reading and Maths, well above the national averages.
- **Writing** saw a significant improvement, rising from **61% to 78%**.
- **89%** of pupils met the expected standard in Grammar, Punctuation, and Spelling (GPS).
- Combined Reading, Writing, and Maths results jumped from **54% to 71%**.
- At the higher standard, over **53%** achieved Greater Depth in Reading, **36%** in Maths, and **46%** in GPS.
- Writing at Greater Depth increased from **0% to nearly 18%**.

These remarkable outcomes show strong progress across the curriculum and place Amotherby among the highest-performing primary schools in the country for SATs.

Congratulations to our Year 6 children, Mrs Wade, and all the staff at Amotherby for your dedication and hard work! 🍷📖👏

### Summer Events

It was great to see so many people at the Family Picnic with the Thornton Ukelele Band and at the Summer Fair. Both events were an excellent example of the school collaborating with the wider community to come together to have some fun and raise money for Amotherby.

Thanks to the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), all the local businesses who supported and everyone involved in helping and making these events happen. Together they raised almost £5500 which will support exciting new projects in school.

### Farewell to Year 6

As our Year 6 children embark on their exciting journey to secondary school, we wish them the very best of luck, and look forward to hearing about their future successes.

We hope you all have a wonderful and enjoyable summer break!

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Keep an eye out for more news and updates in our next edition. 😊

*Amotherby Community Primary School Governing Board*

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