

Apologies for not attending the meeting.

Over the past year the staff, children and parents have worked extremely hard and very closely to improve the position of Thomas Bullock Primary school significantly.

- Behaviour has improved significantly and is rated as Good by OFSTED.
- The school is now out of Serious Weaknesses and is no longer an inadequate school. It is now 'Requires Improvement' but we all feel that we are close to being rated as 'Good.' the report is available on OFSTED's web site. We know exactly what needs to change to become good and I expect us to be a 'Good' school or better within the next 12 months,
- The school is converting to an Academy as a result of being in 'Serious Weaknesses.' This means that the funding will come from an Academy Sponsor (who receive money from the government) and are directly accountable to that Academy Sponsor. All school that are rated as inadequate (Serious Weaknesses or Special Measures) are expected to become an Academy.
- The sponsor is the Diocese of Norwich Education and Academies Trust. This means that our links with the Diocese and the church should grow even further which I believe is very positive as one of our greatest strengths as a school is how we promote Christian Values – these have played a significant part in the progress the school has made over the past 4 years. If you would like more information about the school becoming an Academy please ask, the best method of communicating this is to meet with me.
- The school name is likely to be Thomas Bullock C.E Academy. The school's badge and uniform will remain in place as will all staff. In fact, there is likely to be little noticeable change as we continue to develop.
- The school's budget remains healthy.
- Teaching and learning standards continue to rise.
- The Thomas Bullock Trust continues to support the school and we are hugely appreciative of their help. This year we have purchased 16 iPads and 16 Hudl tablet computers as a result of their support as well as starting the Achievement for All programme – a nationally recognised and successful teaching programme that will help us improve our engagement with the community.
- The school Parent Teacher Association continues to work hard and has raised thousands of pounds over the past year. A summer fete is planned as well as many other events that the local community are more than welcome to come along to.
- We have several after school clubs running – a significant change from last year. We have 2 Gymnastic clubs, a school choir and Archery!
- If anyone in the community wishes to use the school building please ask as we welcome anyone into our school.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you



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