

# **CHEW VALLEY SCHOOL**



## **ANNUAL REPORT OF GOVERNORS**

**2010**

This Report gives a brief summary of the work of the  
Governing Body of Chew Valley School for the past  
year. The Report, in accordance with the Education Act 1986  
will be presented to the Annual Meeting of Parents on  
**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2010 at 7.30pm in the School Library**

Chew Valley School  
Chew Magna  
Bristol BS40 8QB

**CHEW VALLEY SCHOOL**  
**ANNUAL GOVERNORS' REPORT TO PARENTS**  
**OCTOBER 2010**

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## FROM THE HEADTEACHER

The Academic Year 2009/10 represented a year of significant change for the school. Attitudes to change can tell you quite a lot about people and institutions and Chew Valley is no exception. So what were those changes and how is the school adapting?

Changes came in the form of buildings and status. Our new 6<sup>th</sup> Form and Community Centre opened in September and the school took on Foundation Status in August 2010. In both cases these changes represented our optimism and self-confidence. Governors recognised that the 6<sup>th</sup> form is integral to our vision for a successful 11-18 school and were determined to secure the best possible accommodation to meet sixth formers' learning and welfare needs. Likewise, Foundation Status has given us a greater control over our destiny. Not only have we established ownership of the school estate, but we have asserted a degree of independence enabling us to work with the Local Authority from a position of equality rather than subordination. The school is in a much stronger position to weather the storms and seize the opportunities of the coming years.

Change also came with a change of personnel. There were no fewer than nine retirements from the school staff: a loss of a reservoir of experience and commitment to the school which in a number of cases stretched back over thirty years. I also lost my excellent Deputy, Gary Lewis, promoted to headship in North Somerset. I want to set on record the debt the school owes to these colleagues. Change can be uncomfortable and tinged with regret. But this September has brought a crop of outstanding new teaching staff to the school who are bringing vigour and vitality and new ideas which are enriching and improving the school in many, many ways. Schools cannot ossify into some mythical 'Golden Age' – Chew Valley must keep on embracing change and moving forwards.

Which brings me to the final change – which is not really a change at all, but rather a continuation of an upward trajectory for the school. The classes of 2010 achieved record results at both GCSE and A Level. It is a feather in their caps and a wonderful accolade for the school that we continue to strive for, and achieve, excellence for our young people.

My gratitude, as always, goes to parents, staff and governors for all their efforts to make Chew Valley the outstanding school it is.

Mark Mallett  
Headteacher

## ACHIEVEMENTS 09/10

### ACADEMIC

- Emily Boardman, Caitlin Jordan, Rachael Lyons, Beth Matthews reading Medicine at Manchester and Southampton Universities.
- Megan Chastney, Rosie Cleghorn, Rosie Cumberlidge, Matthew Eagon, Mattie Letts and Luke Smith also achieved 3 or more Grade As or A\*s at A Level.
- In addition the following students achieved 90% in their A2 exams to achieve A\* in one subject: Tom Douglas-Jones, Grace Hogan, Bethan Perry, Sam Ryan and Sophie Webb
- Achieving **two** A\* grades: Rosie Cleghorn, Rosie Cumberlidge, Caitlin Jordan, Beth Matthews and Beth Reynolds
- 76% achieved GCSE 5A\*-C; 68% 5A\*-C including English and Maths.
- Tom Hope achieved 12 A\* grades.
- Achieving 5 or more A\* Grades: Jessica Boardman, James Braidley, Lorna Burnell, Beth Calverley, Emma Carter, Fred Cotterill, Dean Thomas, Louise Harrison, Tim Head, Jake Hepburn, James Huntley, Anna Lim, Tei Lockett, Claire Newman, Will Saunders, Rhiannon Slatcher, Tom Vipond, Natalie Walford, Holly Watkin.

### SPORT

- Peter Miles: <46 Kilo GB Judo Number 1
- Lewis Nightingale: Avon Under 15s Cross-Country
- District Cross-Country Senior Girls' Champions
- Badminton: Senior Boys Avon Champions (7<sup>th</sup> in South West)  
Senior Girls Avon Champions (5<sup>th</sup> in South West)  
Junior Boys Avon Champions
- Cricket: Junior Girls B&NES Champions (3<sup>rd</sup> in Somerset)
- Football: Y7 B&NES champions
- Golf: Avon Champions
- Sailing: WESSA 'Best School'
- Tennis: Y8 and Y9 girls' District Champions
- Rugby: Y9 B&NES Cup Winners

### PERFORMING ARTS

- *Private Peaceful* – outstanding Lower School Production visited by Michael Morpurgo!
- *Little Shop of Horrors* – musical spectacular plays to packed houses for four nights.

- Dance Festival draws participants from Primary, Secondary and University dance groups.

**CHEW VALLEY SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY**  
**(September 09– August 10)**

**Term of office expires**

**LA Representatives**

08.2014	Mr Brian Pate
03.2011	Mrs Sandra Abrahams
03.2011	Mrs Lynne Matthews
03.2014	Mr John Hack

**Parent Governors**

10.2013	Mr John Nelson-Smith
10.2013	Mr Rupert Lowe
09.2010	Mr Michael Williams
01.2010	Mrs Karen Gough
11.2011	Mrs Marie-Claire Harper
02.2013	Mrs Rachel Williams
10.2013	Mrs Christine Boardman
02.2014	Mr Matthew Torrible

**Community Governors**

09.2013	Mrs Gill Stobart	VICE-CHAIR
09.2013	Mrs Dawn Chard	
10.2011	Mr John Daintith	
03.2012	Mr Adrian Miller	
02.2013	Mr David Palmer	

**Staff Governors**

10.2013	Mr Mike Rees
10.2011	Ms Jo Hibbert

**Sponsor Governor**

10.2013	Mr Brian Wibberley (Chair)
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**Headteacher**

Mr Mark Mallett

**Area Advisor**

Mr Ron Richards	Advisory Service, B&NES Council, PO Box 25, Riverside, BS31 1DN	Tel: 01225 394484
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**Clerk to the Governors**

Mrs Julie Seeley  
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## **GOVERNORS' ACTIVITIES 2009-2010**

Much of the work of Governors is done through the sub-committees which report to the Full Board.

In Curriculum and Pupils committee over the last year we have carried out a rigorous self-evaluation in respect of all aspects of school life in preparation for the next Ofsted inspection whenever it comes. We have reviewed school policies on bullying, PSHE, child protection, concerns and complaints and uniform. The committee has also kept under review the School Development Plan.

The Personnel committee has overseen the annual review of the pay policy as well as managing the large number of appointments this year. The committee has been keen to ensure good levels of high quality training are made available to staff.

On the Property committee much of the year has been spent chasing contractors to remedy minor defects in the new 6<sup>th</sup> form building. As well as a number of minor works around the site, including renewal of the Hall and Stage lighting system, the committee has also been working to achieve CO2 emission savings.

The Finance committee has worked hard to manage a reduction in surplus whilst keeping in check any in-year deficit in preparation for leaner times ahead. The committee has supported the implementation of increased use of Parent Pay for cashless management of pupil/parent payments and it is hoped this will be extended, in due course, to school lunches.

The Health and Safety committee has kept a watchful eye on accident statistics to ensure safety of pupils on site. The school's Child Protection and Safeguarding policies have been reviewed and a new electronic system for safety checks for educational visits has been implemented with the Local Authority.

The full board of Governors meets seven times in the year. It receives reports from the sub-committees and the Headteacher. It also receives an annual report from the School Improvement Partner who completes monitoring visits throughout the year. In these ways, Governors are able to assist the Headteacher and his senior team in setting the strategic direction of the school.

## EXAMINATION RESULTS 2009-2010

### Achievements

- The highest ever 5A\*-C pass rate in the school's history
- 22% of the year group achieved 5 or more A/A\* grades
- School placed in top 10% of schools nationally.

### Policy

Chew Valley School is a fully comprehensive school with a non-selective admissions policy. We enter pupils of all abilities for examinations; our philosophy is that we are here to provide opportunities for students, not to massage examination results.

### Year 11 GCSE and Vocational Courses

#### Results Summary

	Number	Percentage
Achieving 5+ A*-C including English & Mathematics	135	69%
Achieving 5+ A*-C	149	76%
Achieving 5+ A*-G	192	97%
Achieving 1+ A*-C	189	96%
Achieving 1+ A*-G	195	99%

Subject	Entries	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
Art & Design	72	3	9	11	24	21	2	1	0	1
Biology	29	19	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Business Studies	20	0	0	2	2	7	3	3	1	2
Chemistry	29	19	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D&T Food Technology	31	2	5	4	6	13	1	0	0	0
D&T Resistant Materials	27	6	3	4	6	8	0	0	0	0
D&T Systems & Control	20	1	6	1	8	3	1	0	0	0
D&T Textiles Technology	22	3	2	3	10	4	0	0	0	0
Drama	57	1	9	13	15	14	2	2	1	0
English	193	18	45	52	39	28	9	1	1	0
English Literature	185	11	30	49	61	27	5	0	1	1
Expressive Arts	14	1	2	1	5	4	1	0	0	0
French	54	4	2	6	5	16	10	8	3	0
Geography	94	14	13	18	21	18	6	0	0	4
German	25	1	7	7	7	2	1	0	0	0
Health & Social Care	24	0	0	1	3	7	10	1	0	2
History	48	14	15	5	6	4	1	2	1	0



Subject	Entries	A*	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	U
Mathematics	193	23	38	27	57	29	13	4	2	0
Media Studies	47	6	4	12	8	4	8	5	0	0
Music	24	1	6	5	9	2	1	0	0	0
Physics	29	14	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Religious Studies	191	11	15	36	46	40	30	9	4	0
Science Single Award	166	1	18	46	52	31	15	3	0	0
Science: Additional	155	6	21	35	53	33	5	2	0	0
Spanish	52	0	5	12	18	16	1	0	0	0
Sport/PE Studies	61	5	7	14	11	18	5	1	0	0

### OCR National certificate in ICT

	Entries	Distinction	Merit	Pass
Double Award	31	4	11	16
Single Award	135	26	28	81

### Sixth Form Achievements

- A record average point score per student of 757.4
- 48% of A Level results graded A or B
- School retains place in top 10% of Sixth Forms nationally.

### Year 13 A-Level Examinations

Subject	Entries	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
Art	4	0	0	1	3	0	0	0
Applied Art & Design	6	0	0	3	2	1	0	0
Biology	26	2	4	6	6	6	2	0
Business Studies	4	0	0	1	2	0	1	0
Chemistry	20	0	5	4	5	5	1	0
Dance	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Drama	8	2	2	1	2	1	0	0
English Language and Literature	9	1	0	4	2	2	0	0
English Literature	23	2	4	8	4	4	1	0
Environmental Science	9	0	0	2	3	1	3	0
French	3	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
Further Maths	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Geography	12	0	2	3	5	2	0	0
German	3	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
History	17	5	0	4	7	1	0	0
ICT	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Subject	Entries	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
Maths	15	1	6	3	3	2	0	0
Media Studies	13	0	0	6	4	2	1	0
Music	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Music Technology	4	0	0	1	3	0	0	0
Philosophy	4	0	0	0	2	2	0	0
Physical Education	7	1	0	2	1	1	2	0
Physics	14	0	3	4	5	1	0	1
Psychology	23	3	2	7	7	3	0	1
Sociology	20	0	2	5	3	7	3	0
Spanish	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Technology	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Textiles	5	0	1	1	1	2	0	0

### Year 13 AS Level Examinations

Subject	Entries	A	B	C	D	E	U
Art	2	0	1	0	0	1	0
Business Studies	3	0	0	0	2	1	0
Environmental Science	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Further Maths	4	2	0	1	0	0	1
Geography	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Media Studies	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Photography	1	0	0	0	0	0	1

### Year 12 AS Level Examinations

Subject	Entries	A	B	C	D	E	U
Art	16	0	1	2	5	5	3
Biology	36	6	9	8	7	3	3
Business Studies	7	0	1	1	2	1	2
Chemistry	19	3	5	6	3	1	1
Critical Thinking	12	3	3	3	2	1	0
Dance	3	1	1	1	0	0	0
Drama	14	5	6	3	0	0	0
English Language and Literature	39	1	4	7	15	8	4
English Literature	23	5	6	6	3	3	0
Environmental Science	13	1	3	4	2	1	2
French	7	1	3	2	1	0	0
Further Maths	9	1	3	4	0	1	0
Geography	12	1	3	3	3	1	1
German	3	0	0	1	0	1	1
History	21	8	6	6	0	1	0

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Entries</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>U</b>
Maths	22	13	4	3	1	0	1
Media Studies	19	0	2	3	3	7	4
Music	5	0	2	2	0	1	0
Philosophy	7	1	3	3	0	0	0
Photography	17	1	2	6	5	2	1
Physical Education	24	1	2	5	7	6	3
Physics	15	3	6	3	0	2	1
Psychology	50	7	10	6	8	7	12
Sociology	31	3	1	6	7	8	6
Spanish	4	2	1	1	0	0	0
Technology	7	1	1	0	3	2	0
Textiles	5	2	1	1	1	0	0

**ABSENCE OF STUDENTS DURING 2009-10**

Number of students of compulsory school age: 973

Percentage of AUTHORISED absences: 5.6%

Percentage of UNAUTHORISED absences: 0.9%

## Finance Report for the year end 31st March 2010

	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008 - 2009</u>	<u>2009-</u>	
	<u>£'s</u>	<u>£'s</u>	<u>20010</u>	
			<u>£'s</u>	
<u>REVENUE FUNDS</u>				
<u>Income</u>				
Funds delegated by the LA	3,210,420	3,341,147	3,449,514	
Funding for sixth form students	860,901	787,178	853,758	
Funding for SEN & minority ethnic pupils	281,219	251,633	209,620	
Standards Fund	230,978	269,134	281,461	1
Other government grants	0			
Other grants and payments	77,467	58,773	47,472	2
Income from facilities and services	58,392	65,913	29,727	3
Income from catering	227,699	222,407	240,561	
Insurance reimbursements	459	1,402	807	
Income from contributions to visits, music tuition etc.	251,871	249,968	236,144	
Donations and/or voluntary funds	8,048	19,349	7,390	
School Standard Grant - pupil focused	194,987	203,547	211,447	
Extended services funding	0		29,104	
	<u>5,402,441</u>	<u>5,470,451</u>	<u>5,597,005</u>	
<u>Expenditure</u>				
Teaching staff	3,197,737	3,331,143	3,399,121	
Supply teaching staff	46,631	52,668	55,070	
Education support staff	383,740	353,768	348,397	
Premises staff	68,869	53,683	71,127	4
Administrative & clerical staff	267,091	287,507	323,635	5
Catering staff	107,811	112,617	113,467	
Cost of other staff	8,147	9,526	7,093	
Indirect employee expenses	11,074	18,668	29,121	6
Development & training	10,971	8,793	18,423	
Building/Grounds maintenance and improvement	94,047	77,396	92,493	
Cleaning & caretaking	116,354	118,003	123,566	
Water & sewerage	17,414	3,895	12,089	7
Energy	78,511	110,422	106,178	
Rates	82,582	90,321	94,817	
Other occupation costs	46,054	7,966	10,233	8
Learning resources (not ICT equipment)	345,922	337,279	357,598	
ICT learning resources	46,699	37,411	55,169	
Exam fees	85,933	71,755	82,748	
Administrative supplies	47,188	52,591	60,420	
Other insurance premiums	23,850	24,919	27,121	
Catering supplies	134,127	143,037	144,510	
Agency supply teaching staff	35,303	6,820	23,053	
Bought in professional services - curriculum	81,097	100,670	91,097	9
Bought in professional services - other	25,964	28,880	29,370	10

Loan interest	4,452	4,930	869	
Direct revenue financing (revenue contributions to capital)	81,527	81,122	5,750	11
	<u>5,449,096</u>	<u>5,525,790</u>	<u>5,682,538</u>	
<u>Balances</u>				
Brought forward balances	346,002	299,347	244,008	
Income over expenditure	(46,654)	(55,339)	(85,533)	
Carried forward closing balance	<u>299,347</u>	<u>244,008</u>	<u>158,519</u>	
Comprises:				
Committed revenue balances	124,988	192,833	108,124	
Uncommitted revenue balances	174,359	51,218	50,394	

	<u>2007-2008</u>	<u>2008-2009</u>	<u>2009-</u>	
	<u>£'s</u>	<u>£'s</u>	<u>20010</u>	
			<u>£'s</u>	
<u>CAPITAL FUNDS</u>				
<u>Income</u>				
Balance brought forward	93,430	101,597	579,468	
Capital income	47,214	531,242	736,076	
Voluntary income	0	24,607	38,020	
Direct revenue financing (revenue contribution to capital)	81,527	81,122	5,750	
	<u>222,171</u>	<u>738,568</u>	<u>779,846</u>	
<u>Expenditure</u>				
New construction, conversion and renovation	76,174	97,631	1,082,743	12
Vehicles, plant, equipment and machinery	11,361		30,361	
Information and communication technology	33,039	61,469	130,824	
	<u>120,573</u>	<u>159,100</u>	<u>1,243,928</u>	
Carried forward closing balance	101,597	579,468	115,387	13

#### Notes

1. The standards fund is allocated annually but can be spent over 17 months, earmarked
2. Reimbursements re: Staff & Leisure Centre management recharge
3. Bank interest (£42,000 in 07/08, £27,000 in 08/09, £2,000 in 09/10), Lettings income and curriculum sales
4. Single status savings of £16,000 in 07/08 credited in 08/09
5. Extended Services temporary posts required by government, see Extended services income
6. Recruitment costs for 13 leavers
7. Uneven billing
8. Other Occupation Costs - premises health & safety, security of premises, refuse collection & security / alarm lines – in 07/08 we carried out a number of premises improvements including resurfacing and fencing of tennis courts
9. Includes visiting lecturers, coaches & course fees & Practical Learning Opportunities
10. Local Authority support services - ICT, finance, payroll, personnel, legal
11. Contribution from school budget for eventual replacement of astroturf pitch. In 07/08 and 08/09 revenue savings transferred to capital for building projects including new 6<sup>th</sup> form block
12. Payment towards New Sixth Form block
13. Carried forward to fund the remaining payment for 6<sup>th</sup> form block

This Finance Report relates to the twelve months ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010. The figures are presented in the prescribed CFR (Consistent Financial Reporting) format. This format is designed to enable the government to collate statistics and make valid comparisons between schools.

Local Education Authority (LA) funding for years 7 to 11 is allocated each financial year and is mainly dependent on pupil numbers. Funding for years 12 and 13 came via the Learning and Skills Council (LSC) and is allocated over the academic year, according to the number of pupils successfully completing each course.

Funding from the LA rose by 3.25% , over the previous year. Overall revenue income rose by 2.3% and expenditure 2.84%, reducing the carry forward balance by 35% on the previous year.

**School Fund - Period Start: 01/04/09  
End: 31/03/10**

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS**

<b>Opening Balances</b>	<b>36,908.71</b>
<b>Total Receipts during year</b>	<b>153,031.61</b>
<b>Total Payments during year</b>	<b>151,079.21</b>
<b>Total balance of fund at the year end</b>	<b>38,861.11</b>

<b>BANK RECONCILIATION</b>	
Cash at bank: Current Account	(20303.37)
Cash at bank: Reserve/ Deposit Account	41740.85
<b>Total bank balance at year end</b>	<b>21437.48</b>
Cash in Hand	100.00
Capital Reserve	17323.63
<b>Total fund balance at 31.03.10</b>	<b>38,861.11</b>

**Annual Financial Statement of Gifts - for year ended 31 March 2010**

<b>Donated by;</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Value</b>
CVS School Society	Projector	£1,123
Valley Orthodontics	Production	£90

Somerfield	Production	£250
Medlock Charitable Trust	New 6 <sup>th</sup> Form Centre	£9,000
Mrs J Eagon	New 6 <sup>th</sup> Form Centre	£50

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**The pupils, parents and staff have donated the following for year ended 31 March 2010**

**Donated to:**

RSPCA	835.69
MACMILLAN CANCER	87.77
JULIAN HOUSE	281.10
HAITI APPEAL	2266.85
OXFAM	74.17
SPORTS RELIEF	94.45
NATIONAL OSTEOPOROSIS	160.00
HELP FOR HEROES	453.17
BRISTOL CHILDRENS HOSPITAL	30.00
FRIENDS OF AMANI CHILDRENS HOME	70.00

Jocelyn Nichols  
Finance Manager

## SCHOOL TERM DATES 2010-2011

### TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2010/2011 ACADEMIC YEAR

#### TERM 1

**Begins:** Wed 1 Sept—STAFF INSET  
Thur 2 Sept – Term begins Y7,Y8,Y9,Y10,Y11,Y13  
Fri 3 Sept.. **Y12 start**  
**Ends:** Fri 22 October – STAFF INSET  
**Term ends for students:** Thur 21 October

#### TERM 2

**Begins:** Mon 1 Nov  
**Ends:** Fri 17 Dec  
**Staff INSET day:** Friday 19 Nov

#### TERM 3

**Begins:** Tues 4 Jan  
**Ends:** Fri 18 Feb  
**Staff INSET day:** Monday 31 Jan

#### TERM 4

**Begins:** Mon 28 Feb  
**Ends:** Fri 8 April

#### TERM 5

**Begins:** Wed 27 April  
**Ends:** Fri 27 May  
**Public Holiday:** Monday 2 May  
**Staff INSET day:** Tuesday 26 April

#### TERM 6

**Begins:** Mon 6 Jun  
**Ends:** Fri 22 Jul

#### **STAFF INSET Days**

Wednesday 1 September 2010  
Friday 22 October 2010  
Friday 19 November 2010  
Monday 31 January 2011  
Tuesday 26 April 2011