

**REPORT OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF HOTHFIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL SILSDEN**  
**FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR SEPTEMBER 2015 to JULY 2016**

During the school year 2015-16 the Governing Board of Hothfield Junior School

1. Adopted a Key Areas (Sharp Focus) approach as part of a more systemized means of monitoring school improvement

*This meant that at every meeting, governors were focussed on their clearly identified purpose to direct school improvement*

2. Reorganized our committee structure in order to:-

- a. Improve efficiency and effectiveness

*This meant Governors' time and capacity was used more efficiently to direct and monitor the Key Areas*

- b. Modify our approach to monitoring school performance to ensure the pace of improvement in school increased

*This meant the 2016 end of key stage 2 outcomes were all above the national figures*

3. Held two formal governors' visiting days, with specific governor tasks allocated as part of the systemized approach to monitoring school improvement

*This means that a system of direct monitoring and 'triangulation' has been established with governors being fully informed on each aspect of the school's performance - especially the Key Areas*

4. Entered into a formal collaboration agreement with Aire View Infant School to plan for the unification of the two schools from 1 September 2017

*This means that the journey towards successful unification has begun*

5. Continued our own programme of improvement

*This means that the Governing Board is proving to be an effective and efficient body to ensure the children of Silsden receive a good education.*