Governors



Why have Governors?



By law a school is required to have a board of governors. They are the people who have overall responsibility for what happens in school although most of this responsibility is delegated to the staff of the school, primarily the head teacher.

What is the role of the Governors?

Overall Role:-

To ensure that the school provides the best possible education for its children, in line with the law and as partners with parents.

Key roles:-

- 1. To provide a strategic view
- 2. To act as a critical friend
- 3. To ensure accountability

The governors meet once a half term as a full governing body, at which we approve policies, receive reports of school progress and plan for the future. We also have a number of committees and working groups who report to the full governing body.

Groups:-

- Admissions Committee
- School Community Committee
- Faith in Learning Committee
- Finance and Infrastructure Committee
- Foundation Working Group

Who is on the governing body?

The instrument of Government gives:

- 4 x Parent Governors
- 1 x Local Authority Governor
- 2 x Staff Governors
- 9 x Foundation Governors (2 of whom at the time of their appointment shall be eligible for election or appointment as parent governors) and the Vicar of Highfield Church (or a church representative).

List of Governors

Name	Appointing Body
Mrs Jennie Cox	Foundation
Mr Andrew Adams	Parent
Mrs Marguerite Crisp	Foundation
Mrs Janet Garlick	Foundation
Mrs Leslie Fuller	Foundation
Mrs Juliet Harold-Barry	Foundation
Dr Alan Hunt	Foundation
Dr Helena Lim-Mall	Foundation
Mr Simon Lindsey	Parent
Mr Allan King	Head teacher
Mrs Lucy Manger	Parent
Dr Sanjay Ramamoorthy	Local Authority
Dr Russ Sion	Parent
Mrs Marilyn Smith	Staff Governor
Vacancy	Foundation
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CLERK : Mrs Jackie James	Non-Governor

The governors attend training courses to keep up to date on the changing education law and practice. Governors are also encouraged to visit the school during the working day at least once a year.

If you wish to contact a governor, please write to the Chair of Governors via the school for formal correspondence. A number of governors are parents and are therefore around the school at the beginning and end of the school day and can be contacted that way. However, individual governors will only report back to the full governing body and cannot be expected to take decisions on their own.

Can I become a governor?

If you are interested in serving the school in this way a form is included for this (see H4).

Governors information sheet

If you are interested in serving the school as a governor, please fill in the details below to request further information about the role and responsibilities, time commitment and availability of vacancies of governors.

	Name	
	Address	
	Tel no. / e-mail	
	Which type of governor are you interested in being?	
	Foundation	Parent Local Authority
Do you have a child / children in the school ? Yes / No (delete as appropriate)		
	Do you have any s	specific areas of expertise you would like to use on the governing body?