

Annual Governance Statement September 2018

1 THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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| **Name** | **Type of Governor** | **Current Term of Office Appointed** | **Current Term of Office Expires** |
| Mr. I. Robbins (Chair) | Co-opted Governor | 28 / 02 / 2017 | 27 / 02 / 2021 |
| Mrs. L. Jones (Vice Chair) | Co-opted Governor | 13 / 06 / 2017 | 12 / 06 / 2021 |
| Mrs. P. Boyes | Co-opted Governor | 13 / 06 / 2017 | 12 / 06 / 2021 |
| Mrs. L. Casson | Co-opted Governor | 28 / 02 / 2017 | 27 / 02 / 2021 |
| Mrs. B. Chambers | Co-opted Governor | 28 / 02 / 2017 | 27 / 02 / 2021 |
| Mrs. J. Creswell | Co-opted Governor | 14 / 06 / 2016 | 13 / 06 / 2020 |
| Mrs. A. Gratrix | Co-opted Governor | 28 / 11 / 2017 | 27 / 11 / 2021 |
| Mr. J. Greenway | Co-opted Governor | 01 / 03 / 2015 | 28 / 02 / 2019 |
| Mr. S. Robinson | Co-opted Governor | 28 / 02 / 2017 | 27 / 02 / 2021 |
| Councillor B. Brotherton | Local Authority Governor | 15 / 11 / 2016 | 14 / 11 / 2020 |
| Mr. A. Curvis | Parent Governor | 11 / 10 / 2017 | 10 / 10 / 2021 |
| Mrs. C. Smith | Parent Governor | 17 / 10 / 2014 | 16 / 10 / 2018 |
| Mrs. L. Sanders | Parent Governor | 14 / 06 / 2018 | 13 / 06 / 2022 |
| Mrs. H. Chatterton | Staff Governor | 30 / 09 / 2017 | 29 / 09 / 2021 |

The Board of Governors maintains a skills matrix which demonstrates the diverse skills held by the Board of Governors. This document informs any appointments to ensure the Board of Governors maintain the skills required to be effective.

2 CLERK TO GOVERNORS

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Contact: Julie Lawson, Head of Service, 0161 348 7188.

Our current clerk was appointed on 01/09/2018 and her term runs to 31/08/2022.

3 COMMITTEES

Remits for the Committees are available on request from the School. Some committees or named

Governors receive specific training to be able to carry out their functions effectively.

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| **Buildings Committee** | **Curriculum Committee** | **Finance****Committee** |
| Cllr B. Brotherton | Mrs. L. Casson (Vice Chair) | Mrs. P. Boyes (Vice Chair) |
| Mrs. A. Gratrix (Chair) | Mrs. B. Chambers | Mrs. H. Chatterton |
| Mr. S. Robinson (Vice Chair) | Mrs. J. Creswell | Mr. A. Curvis |
| Mr. C. Searle (Head) attends | Mrs. A. Gratrix (Chair) | Mr. J. Greenway (Chair) |
|  | Mr. C. Searle (Head) attends | Mrs. L. Jones |
|  | Mr. I. Robbins  |
| Mr. C. Searle (Head) attends |
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3 COMMITTEES CONTINUED

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| **Pay Review Committee**  | **Personnel Committee** | **Pupil Discipline Committee** |
| Mrs. P. Boyes (Vice Chair) | Mrs. P. Boyes | This committee meets as and when required, calling upon four uncompromised Governors from the Board of Governors. |
| Mr. J. Greenway | Mrs. L. Casson  |
| Mr. I. Robbins (Chair) | Mrs. B. Chambers |
| Mr. S. Robinson | Mrs. H. Chatterton |
| Mr. C. Searle (Head) attends | Mrs. L. Jones |
|  | Mr. S. Robinson (Chair) |
|  | Mrs. C. Smith (Vice Chair) |
|  | Mr. C. Searle (Head) attends |

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| **Headteacher’s Performance Management Committee** |
| Mrs. P. Boyes |
| Mr. I. Robbins (Chair) |
| Mr. S. Robinson (Vice Chair) |

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| **Named Governors linked to** |  **2017 - 2018** |
| Child Protection/Safeguarding | Mr. S. Robinson |
| Computing | Mr. S. Robinson |
| Early Years | Mrs. L. Casson |
| English | Mrs. H. Chatterton |
| Health & Safety | Mr. I. Robbins |
| Key Stage One | Mrs. B. Chambers |
| Key Stage Two | Mrs. A. Gratrix |
| Mathematics | Mrs. A. Gratrix |
| Performance | Mrs. L. Jones |
| Special Educational Needs | Mrs. L. Casson |

Governors attend school events such as: performances, sporting events or to see the children learning in school. Each Governor is assigned an area of school life and follows the children throughout the school. This approach allows Governors to get to know the children’s journey from Nursery through to leaving us for secondary school.

4 ATTENDANCE during the 2017 – 2018 Academic Year

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| **Governor** | **Number of board****meetings attended this year (3 per year):** | **Number of committee****meetings attended this year** | **Number of visits to school****this year – including training events, school events, trips, assemblies and class visits** |
| Mrs. P. Boyes | 3 (100%) | 8 of 9 (89%) | 3 |
| Councillor B. Brotherton | 3 (100%) | 4 of 4 (100%) | 2 |
| Mrs. L. Casson | 1 (33%) | 3 of 6 (50%) | 3 |
| Mrs. B. Chambers | 3 (100%) | 6 of 6 (100%) | School Staff Member |
| Mrs. H. Chatterton | 2 (67%) | 6 of 7 (86%) | School Staff Member |
| Mrs. J. Creswell | 3 (100%) | 4 of 4 (100%) | School Staff Member |
| Mr. A. Curvis | 3 (100%) | 5 of 5 (100%) | 2 |
| Mr. J. Greenway | 2 (67%) | 5 of 6 (83%) | 2 |
| Mrs. A. Gratrix | 2 (67%) | 6 of 7 (86%) | 6 |
| Mrs. L. Jones  | 3 (100%) | 2 of 5 (40%) | 1 |
| Mr. I. Robbins  | 3 (100%) | 8 of 8 (100%) | 19 |
| Mr. S. Robinson | 3 (100%) | 8 of 8 (100%) | 45 |
| Mrs. C. Smith | 3 (100%) | 5 of 5 (100%) | 14 |
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| Mr. C. Searle (Headteacher) | 3 (100%) | 13 of 13 (100%) | School Staff Member |
| Mrs. M. Brncic (School Business Manager) | 3 (100%) | 5 of 5 (100%) | School Staff Member |

5 CHAIR’S STATEMENT 2017 - 2018

This has been a busy year for the Board of Governors as we strive to continue to support the work of the school. We have worked together in our strategic role:

* to ensure pupils enjoy school, feel valued and part of the school community

 to ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction

 to ensure pupil attainment is monitored and maximised

 to oversee and manage the school’s budget

 to ensure the staff are supported as needed

 to approve policies and procedures

 to oversee admissions of our Nursery pupils

 to attend school events such as pupils’ performances.

By carrying out our strategic monitoring role, the Board enables the senior leadership team to focus on the day to day running of the school.

Much of our work centres on the priorities as set out in our agreed annual school development plan.

In line with this, we began the academic year by continuing to develop our teaching and learning of writing. Following all the hard work put in by staff, pupils and parents, we were all delighted to see a doubling of the number of Year 6 children attaining greater depth in this subject in May 2018 over the previous year.

The school achieved the vast majority of last year’s School Development Plan (SDP) and continues to oversee the priorities for 2018 – 2019, including:

* Continue to see a further rise in progress and attainment in writing across all year groups
* To continue to prioritise narrowing the gap in attainment between those in, and those not in receipt of Free School Meals
* To further develop our wide curriculum offer by developing the role of middle leaders, so that we continue to ensure the broad, balanced and full curriculum that we pride ourselves in already providing.
* Embed new pupil tracking systems and practices, including the assessment of foundation subjects.
* To celebrate the Creative Arts in school, we are planning three dedicated weeks throughout the year, where children will bring together music, dance and art.
* To further encourage children to be even more physically active, we have been fortunate enough to have benefitted from a government grant to develop a running track around our main school field, which will be ready for use by November 2018.

6 MEETINGS

The Full Board of Governors meets termly. The headteacher’s Performance Management Committee meets twice a year and The Pay Review Committee meets annually. All other committees meet at least every term.

7 OTHER DOCUMENTS

Other document available from the Governor’s section of the school website:

 The Board of Governors Code of Conduct

 Committee remits

 Register of Business and Pecuniary Interests