

What does the Governing Body do?

The role of governing bodies is to help schools provide the best possible education for their pupils.

The Governors have 3 main duties:

- ***To provide a strategic view***, in helping to decide the school's strategy for improvement.
- ***To act as a critical friend***, by providing the Headteacher & staff with support, advice & information.
- ***To ensure accountability***, in being responsible for good quality education in the school.

The Governors have certain duties by law, like setting & managing the school's budget & maintaining a number of policies.



The Governing Body is responsible for deciding the framework for the conduct & development of the school but works in partnership with the Headteacher, who as the lead professional, is responsible for the day to day management & administration of the school

How and when do the Governors meet?

Full Governing Body meetings take place half-termly.

4 smaller committees: Premises, Welfare, Curriculum & Finance, plus working parties like Pupil Achievement, School Brochure, School Profile & Performance Management meet regularly as well.

Who is on the Governing Body?

The Governors come from different areas of the community:

- 3 - *are current or previous parents of pupils*
- 1 - *is a person appointed by the Local Authority*
- 2 - *are representatives from the school staff*
- 6 - *are co-opted onto the Governing Body*

Mrs Joanne Thomson

Parent

Mrs Sarah Thomas

Parent

Vacancy

Parent

Commander Richard Clarke

Authority

Mrs Debbie Anderson

Headteacher

Miss Emma Bannister

Staff Teacher

Mrs Llewela Thomas (Chair)

Co-opted

Mrs Janice Andrews

Co-opted

Mrs Jacqueline Ford

Co-opted

Mrs Jan Lathem

Co-opted

Mrs Jenny Litton

Co-opted

Mr Hugh Whitaker

Co-opted

Mrs Karen Campbell

Associate Member

Mr Lee Ryan

Associate Member

Mrs Jo Lawrence

Clerk to the Governors

The Governors are not paid for their work but contribute their time & efforts in order to help the school and 'give something back' to the local community.



What else do the Governors do?

The Governors take on additional responsibilities, such as:

- Finding out about particular curriculum subjects & aspects of school life e.g. English, Maths, Special Educational Needs & Community Cohesion.*
- Visiting the school regularly & choosing to be a Governor of the Month.*
- Seeking feedback and views on how things are going & ways to make them better. (Contact via the School Office.)*
- Formulating, monitoring & evaluating School plans & other official documents.*
- Assisting in the recruitment & care of the welfare of school staff.*
- Examining standards at the school & suggesting ways to improve further. Plus praising & celebrating our pupils' achievements.*



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The Governing Body

of

College Park Infant School



Explaining the role and the actions the Governors take in leading and managing the school.

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