

Annual Governance Statement for the Governing Body of St Joseph's RC Primary School.

In accordance with the Government's requirement for all governing bodies, the 3 core strategic functions of St Joseph's RC Primary School Governing Body are:

- 1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos, values and strategic direction;**
- 2. Holding the Head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils;**
- 3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.**

The Governing body is made up of 12 Governors:

2 parent governors, 1 staff governor, 1 Local Authority governor and 7 Foundation governors. 1 headteacher governor

The Full Governing Body meets at least once each term, we also have 4 committees to consider different aspects of the school in detail. These committees are:

- Personnel and Pay Review Committee
- Finance and Premises Committee
- Curriculum and Standards Committee
- Pupil Admissions Committee

Each Governor is also allocated to a Curriculum responsibility, as well as links to specific areas such as Safeguarding, Health and Safety and SEND. Each year group also has a designated Governor who is invited to participate in class specific events such as Liturgies, Open Mornings and celebrations.

Governing Body priorities for 2019-20

- To strengthen the above links with all year groups and subject leaders. This will include regular feedback from staff on the impact of CPD.
- To develop a greater understanding of the new curriculum, in line with Ofsted requirements.
- To monitor the introduction and impact of the new Assessment Without Levels (AWL) system.

How you can contact the governing body

We always welcome suggestions, feedback and ideas from parents – please contact the Chair of Governors, Mrs Ailine Gibson, via the school office.

Thank you to every member of staff at St. Joseph's who have helped to make this another very successful year for the children.