Annual Governance Statement 2021-2022

In accordance with the Government's requirement for all governing bodies, the 3 core strategic functions of our Local Governing Committee are:

- 1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos, values and strategic direction;
- 2. Holding the Executive Head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils and for the performance management of staff;
- 3. Ensure that the whole school curriculum is: broad and balanced; relevant to the needs of all children; provides continuity and progression; adequately resourced

Our instrument of governance is comprised of the following categories:

- 2 parent governors
- Up to 4 co-opted governors, including a Trust senior executive leader
- The Headteacher

The Local Governing Committee meets twice in the autumn term and once in the spring term and summer term.

The **Trust Board** are responsible for the core governance business across the Trust, with specific monitoring functions delegated to individual schools. They meet every half term. The Trust Board also have three committees to carry out statutory functions across the Trust. These committees are:

- Renumeration Committee
- Finance, Audit & Risk Committee
- Curriculum & Standards Committee

The work that our governors have completed during the past year includes:

- Supporting school improvement initiatives
- Pupil premium /sports fund monitoring
- Safeguarding systems audited/Health & Safety issues and building works monitored
- School based policies and procedures updated and reviewed
- Staff recruitment/staff allocation monitoring
- Curriculum implementation and assessments monitored to ensure pupils develop their learning
- Data analysed to ensure that pupils make good progress from their starting points
- Attendance monitored and tracked

• Governor monitoring visits carried out linked to school improvement priorities, including SEND and safeguarding.

Our Governor Development Plan 2022-2023 expects to achieve the following:

- Support the school to improve educational outcomes for all pupils
- Ensure that recovery premium money is targeted on the right areas and that this impacts on ensuring pupils 'catch up' following COVID 19.
- Ensure that the school receives an improved judgement at the time of our next Ofsted inspection
- Maintain an ongoing commitment to governor training and development.

How you can contact the Local Governing Committee

We always welcome suggestions, feedback and ideas and are happy to provide more information if you are interested in finding out about becoming a governor at our wonderful school.

The Chair of Governors can be contacted via the School Office.

Further information about governance is also available on the Governor's page of the school website