

Baydon St. Nicholas

Church of England (VA) Primary School

Roots to grow, wings to fly

Baydon St Nicholas School Governing Body Annual Statement 2020-2021

The Governing Body continued to support the work of the School during a very unusual year.

Peter Joddrell chaired the Governing Body; supported by Fraza Robbins as Vice Chair. All but one of the meetings were held remotely and were generally well attended and effective. The Governing Body continued to carry one or two vacancies but the remaining Governors worked hard to undertake their responsibilities.

Ben Hughes, Rev Beth Hutton and Jess Jefferys joined as the Foundation Governor, ex officio Foundation Governor and new Parent Governor respectively.

The Governing Body has three key roles:-

- > Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- > Holding the executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff
- > Overseeing the financial performance of the organisation and making sure it's money is well spent

Inevitably the Governors were not able to be in School but they were updated regularly of all that was going on.

The work of the Governing Body is in part delegated to committees with specific roles – Finance; Quality of Education; Buildings and maintenance.

One of the key items for the Governing Body was the appointment of a new Head Teacher for September 2021. A panel of Governors were supported by Wiltshire Council and Salisbury Diocese staff in this very important task.

Throughout the pandemic the Governors have worked closely with the Head/Deputy HeadTeacher to produce a risk assessment specific to our school which complies with the ever changing Government Guidelines. Regular reviews have taken place to ensure day to day compliance. Along with this adhoc meetings also took place for specific changes e.g. the introduction and subsequently dispersing of bubbles. The risk assessment continues to be monitored as we enter a new phase of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Respect Kindness Perseverance

Name	Governor Type	Committee	Responsibilities
Rowan Cockcroft	Foundation	Finance	
Nikki Davies Resigned – 18.12.2020	Foundation	Quality of Education Buildings and Maintenance	
Barbara Furber	Foundation	Quality of Education	
Emma Gilbert	Staff	Buildings and Maintenance; Quality of Education	
Laura Hallsworth	Associate	Finance	Chair of Finance
Sue Harries	Associate		
Amanda Hodey	Associate	Finance	
Ben Hughes	Foundation		
Beth Hutton	Foundation		
Jess Jefferys	Parent		
Peter Joddrell Resigned 31.8.2021	Local Authority	Quality of Education	Chair of Governors Chair of Quality of Education
Caroline Knighton Resigned 31.8.2021	Staff (Head)	Attends all	
Hugo Mackenzie- Smith Resigned 24.9.2020	Foundation	Finance	
Katie Mills	Foundation		
Fraza Robins	Parents	Buildings and Maintenance	Vice Chair of Governors
Paul Stannard Resigned 25.3.2021	Parents	Buildings and Maintenance	Chair of Buildings and Maintenance Committee
Tony Topp Resigned 25.2.2021	Associate		