



## ST HUGH'S SCHOOL

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The school governing body would like to welcome you to our school website.

As school governors we are responsible for the conduct of the school and for promoting high educational standards. The governing body aims to ensure that students are attending a successful school providing them with a high standard of education and helping to ensure their safety and wellbeing. Being a governor is an extremely rewarding and enjoyable experience.

In law, the board of governors is a corporate body, which means:

- no governor can act on her/his own without proper authority from the board,
- all governors carry equal responsibility for decisions made; and
- although appointed through different routes (i.e. parents, staff, local authority, co-opted, Foundation) the overriding concern of all governors has to be the welfare of the children and the school as a whole

The governing body consists of;

- parents
- school staff
- representatives of the local council
- people from the local community

The role of the governing body can be divided into 3 main categories;

- strategic role
  - helps to set standards and targets for performance for the school
  - has an overview of the curriculum
  - helps to set policies for itself and the school
  - selects the head and deputy head teacher
  - makes decisions about the school's budget and staffing
  - delivers effective planning, including post-inspection duties
  - makes sure the school provides the necessary resources to meet the needs of all students
  - decides how the school can encourage pupils' spiritual, moral and cultural development
- critical friend
  - the governing body has a good working relationship and termly meetings with the head teacher
  - the governing body monitors how well the school is doing, and how well policies and plans are being implemented



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- the governing body will get to know the school well, and have clear lines of responsibility/accountability through various school committees and holding the head teacher to account
- the governing body will meet regularly with the head teacher plus regular liaison with senior leaders, subject leaders, teacher and support staff.
- Accountability
  - The governing body gets regular reports from the head teacher and oversees key decisions. Collectively the governing body takes responsibility for the success of the school. To ensure accountability, governors need to be actively involved through attending meetings, and reading relevant reports and background papers.
  - The decisions made by the governing body directly shape and influence the quality of education received by our children and young people.
  - The governing body's main aim is to:
    - help raise standards of achievement
    - make sure the school provides good or outstanding education provision
  - Whilst the day-to-day management of the school is the responsibility of the head teacher and staff, governors set the future direction for the school. They decide how the school's budget should be spent.
  - Governors work as a team. Individual governors have no power or responsibility. It is only the full governing body which has legal duties and powers. All governors share in this corporate responsibility.

We are proud of our school and our students. We positively promote our students wellbeing to become young ambitious adults with high aspirations relevant to their needs.

We welcome visits to school.

Being a governor is such a rewarding role.

Best Wishes

St Hugh's Governing Body



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