



Governors' Newsletter

Summer Term July 2023

School Governors

The Governing Body consists of twelve Governors. Categories of governor include Foundation, Staff, Parent, Local Authority and Co-opted.

Foundation Governors

Maria Butchart - Chair
Mary Heffernan - Vice chair
Clare Bowers
Debbie Bailey
Michael Devlin
Sheila Onwudiwe

Foundation Governors are appointed by the Diocese of Westminster.

Headteacher

Alex Sallis

Local Authority Governor

Niall Moten

Parent Governors

Siobhan Scambler
Paul Ambridge

Staff Governor

Elizabeth Welch

Co-opted Governor

Gareth Jones

The Governing Body can appoint individuals with specific skills to serve on committees. These individuals are known as associate members.

More information about the Governing Body can be found on the school website.

Dear Parents and Carers

It's been another busy year for staff and pupils and I think everyone is ready for a break, hopefully with some warm weather. The governors would like to say thank you to all the staff for their hard work this year. We would also like to say a big thank you to Mr Sallis and Mrs Welch for their commitment and dedication to the school this year especially as both were new to their roles last September.

We would like to wish Year 6 good luck as they move on to their new schools and best wishes to those staff moving on to other roles.

The work of the Governors

One of the core functions of the governing body is financial responsibility – governors must ensure there is financial oversight, that leaders are held to account, and that money is spent correctly and in line with the school's priorities. During this term the Finance Committee has met to review the budget for the next year financial year. The Catholic Life and Curriculum Committee have met and received updates on the Catholic Life of the school, reviewed progress, and monitoring, and received updates on the curriculum. The Full Governing Body has met to consider the work of the committees, receive notification of actions completed and consider plans for the next year.

Academisation update

The Diocese of Westminster has expressed a wish for all of its schools to move toward academisation as part of one of its existing Catholic Academy Trusts. The school is continuing to work with the Diocese and ASCAT to explore the opportunities that academisation might bring for St Cuthbert Mayne along with St Rose's and the other Catholic schools in Dacorum.

Finally

We would like to say thank you to the parents and carers for their continued support of the school. We hope you all have a lovely summer break with family and friends.

Best wishes

Maria Butchart,

Chair of Governors

On behalf of the Governing Body