



## Governors' Newsletter

Autumn Term December 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

*The Diocese of Westminster appoints the Foundation Governors.*

#### 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

Another year has flown by and we hope that the new Year 3s have settled in to life at St Cuthbert Mayne School. Going by their performance with Year 4 in the Christmas Nativity it certainly looks like they have. On behalf of Caritas, I would like to say thank you to the children for coming along on a Sunday to perform a selection of songs and carols to some of our elderly parishioners at their Christmas Afternoon Tea event.

### The work of the Governors

This term all the committees have met as part of the regular review and monitoring of the work that goes on in school. A number of consultations have taken place this term where parents, carers, and staff have been asked to take part namely academisation, the building project and the RE curriculum. All are important for the future of the school, its staff and pupils and we appreciate your feedback as part of the decision making process.

### Academisation update

Having completed the consultation process, work is continuing to ensure there will be a smooth transition to becoming an academy and joining ASCAT. The final decision will be made by the Governing Board in the Spring Term.

### Building Project

Work on the proposed building project continued over the summer months and the consultation took place early in October. Planning permission has now been submitted to Dacorum Council. If you are in support of the plans for the new school we would really appreciate it if you could submit your comments at [St Cuthbert Mayne Planning Application](#). Select the option *on-line or web comments* and follow the instructions. It would be great to have some positive support for the project.

### Finally ....

The Governors would like to say thank you to all the staff for the work they do to support your children. Thank you also to you the parents and carers for your continued support of the school. We hope you all have a Merry Christmas.

Best wishes for the New Year.

Maria Butchart

Chair of Governors

On behalf of the Governing Body