## **Our Governors**

With the increase in statutory responsibility, the role of the School Governor is a significant one. The role of the governor centres on the following three core functions

- 1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- 2. Holding the Head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; and
- 3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

Although not directly involved in the day-to-day running of the school, governors along with the Head Teacher, are ultimately responsible for ensuring the delivery of the highest standard of education for **ALL** pupils in our care.

St Augustine's Catholic Primary School's Governing body has a wide range of members enlisted from all walks of life for example: education, business and public services. This diversity of members' enables the board to carry out its duties. Due to the high level of commitment required of all governors, it is not a role we have entered into lightly and the governors are not only committed, but enthusiastic about the aims and ambitions of our school.

The Governing body meet formally as a whole group three times a year. Smaller groups of us meet more regularly, approximately on a fortnightly basis, to progress specific issues and report our activities to the full group for approval.

We are trained to carry out our functions by the Governors Support team, The Local Authority and the Diocese, although most of us bring useful skills such as finance, health and safety, management, personnel, etc to the group. Current issues for governors include, the appointment of a new Headteacher, helping the school towards its financial management targets, monitoring areas for improvement identified in our last Ofsted inspection, monitoring and reviewing of our school policies, ensuring children's curriculum targets are being met.

We are actively seeking to strengthen our relationship with parents so we understand their thoughts and aspirations for their children. The school is a community in which the governors play a large but often hidden part.

Below details the current members of the Full Governing Body, which includes category of Governor, committee membership, linked governorships, terms of office and register of pecuniary / conflicts of interest.

Antoinette Woodhead Chair of Governors

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