

ST VINCENT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR GOVERNING BODY 2020-2021

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| Ensure that the strategic direction and Catholic ethos of the school is clear and at the centre of discussions | Committees will use a range of self-evaluation information and external evaluation to gain a clear view of the school. Governor visits to school will ensure all focus areas are monitored. (Schedule to be published on website.) | Termly | All governors | Governors have a good understanding of the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats facing the school and will be well placed to fulfil their role in setting the strategic direction of the school. |
| Monitor the schools plan for Recovery curriculum as school offers wider opening to pupils following lockdown. | Committee meeting agendas to provide opportunities to question and challenge school leaders. Monitoring schedule to include opportunities to talk to staff and children about curriculum plans Monitor use and impact of 'catch up' funding. | Termly | Committees and assigned governors | Standards and rates of pupil progress improve. Gaps in children's learning are identified and designed curriculum meets their needs. Pupils individual needs met |
| Review Staffing Structure of school | Carry out a consultation process with all staff and unions on proposed staffing changes. (see consultation document) | Consultation Feb 21 – May 21 Implementation Sept '21 | All governors | A staffing structure that is affordable and meets the needs of the school |

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| Ensure the governing body has the right skills, experience, qualities and capacity. | Skills audit and governor review meetings with Chair. Governors to produce pen portraits to be put on school website. Match skills and experience to roles and responsibilities | As new governors join. | New governors | A governing body with a good range of skills and expertise to support all areas of school improvement. Parents and the community will have a better understanding of who the governors are and what skills and expertise they bring to the governing body. |
| Ensure committees drive improvements and reinforce the clearly defined roles and responsibilities | Governor handbook produced and will contain, clear terms of reference, committee membership, roles and responsibilities | March '21 Reviewed annually | Chair of governors | All governors will have a point of reference. Information in handbook will support new governor induction. Clear protocol for visits and code of conduct. Notes of visits will monitor and inform school improvement. |
| Monitor and improve the quality and impact of governance. | Governor review meetings. One to one discussions between Chair and individual governors 360 degree review of Chair of Governors. | Annually Summer term | Chair of governors | Work of individual governors is recognised and celebrated. Governors have the opportunity to comment on the effectiveness of the Chair in leading the governing body. |

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| Monitor the well being of Headteacher and all staff. | Set up a well being committee to look at staff surveys and be available to meet 1 to 1 or in small groups if necessary Questionnaires to all staff asking about well being Ensure HT and staff well being is an agenda item at meetings | Termly | Nominated governors and Cof G | Staff feel valued and cared for Staff absences are low Staff are happy to come to work at St Vincent's and feel they are listened to (evidenced in surveys.) |
| Comply with statutory and contractual responsibilities | Ensure governor information on the school website is fully compliant with statutory guidance. Ensure policies are regularly reviewed and implemented. Ensure all statutory and contractual responsibilities are completed. | Ongoing | HT /admin. and govs | Website is compliant and a useful tool for parents and governors. Rolling programme of when policies need reviewing and updating. Well prepared for any external evaluations and audits. Legally compliant. |