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## Governor Summer Newsletter July 2018

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### Dates

**5<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

Full Governing Body Meeting

**19<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

Break up for summer

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### Thank you !

Many thanks to Mr Vernon, all the staff and parents for the support and encouragement they give to the children of St Vincent's. All your hard work is much appreciated.

**Have a lovely summer !**

### Congratulations and Good-bye !

To all our Y6 pupils. We are so proud of all your achievements and wish you every success at High School. Good-bye and Good Luck !

### Thank you and Goodbye

To Mrs Jackson, Mrs Clancy and Mr Mutch who leave us at the end of term. We will be sorry to see you go and we wish you every happiness for the future.

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### Letter from Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our first governor newsletter. We hope to produce this in the autumn and summer terms to try to keep you updated on the work of the school governors. I joined the governing body in July '17 and have thoroughly enjoyed being part of a team who are centered on achieving the best for St Vincent's.

In September '17, I was delighted to be nominated and then elected as Chair of Governors. I am confident that the governing body is strong and has an excellent skill set to fulfill its role. In the Autumn term we will be updating the governor page on the website and you will be able to read more about the profiles and roles of individual governors. If you ever wish to speak to me, or any of the governors, we can be contacted via the school office.

**Win Douglas – Chair of Governors**

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### Governing Body Membership

The governing body consists of :

7 Foundation governors (appointed by the Archdiocese)

2 Parent governors (elected by parents every 4 years)

1 Staff governor (elected by staff every 4 years )

1 Local authority governor

1 Headteacher

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## Governing Body Membership

### Foundation Governors :

Win Douglas (Chair), Michelle Harrison (Vice Chair)

Paul Atherton, Peter Johnson, Helen Chaplin

Debra Pennington, Fr Malcolm Prince

### Parent Governors :

Kate Simpson, Steph Cooper

### Local Authority Governor :

Peter Bacon

### Staff Governor :

Kathryn Long

### Headteacher :

Dominic Vernon

## What have Governor's done this year ?

It has been a very busy school year !

The governor's main task this year has been to ensure that we acted quickly on the recommendations of the Ofsted inspection in July 17 and ensure St Vincent's improved rapidly. To do this, it was vital that the school had a strong, stable leadership team in place. Governors began the recruitment process in the autumn term and were delighted to appoint Mr Dominic Vernon to the permanent post of Headteacher in February 2018.

Other work included reviewing the staffing structure, monitoring standards and progress of pupils, headteacher performance management, health and safety reviews and regular monitoring of finances.

Governors are proud of all that has been achieved this academic year and would like to say well done and thank you to all involved in bringing about rapid school improvement in all areas.

**HAPPY HOLIDAYS !**



## Committees

The full governing body meets once a term.

We have three committees who meet at least once a term. All governors serve on committees as well as taking on other key responsibilities.

1. **Resources Committee** (staffing, finance and buildings)
2. **Pupil support and Ethos Committee** (curriculum, admissions, pupil wellbeing)
3. **Standards Committee** (monitoring progress, achievement and attainment)

The committees work to enable the governing body to fulfil its three core functions of :

- Setting vision, ethos and strategic direction.
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils.
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.