



**Syresham St James CE Primary School**  
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## **Governor's Vision, Aim & Strategy**

### **Our Vision**

To offer an outstanding, all-round education to our community, rooted in the shared Christian values of Courage, Generosity, Love, Fairness, Forgiveness and Respect. We seek to demonstrate this ethos in our school by providing a safe, caring environment where everyone is valued and pupils are inspired to develop a love for learning that will equip them as they continue to grow and learn.

### **Our Aim**

Our aim is to be an effective governing body in challenging and supporting the school. The Governing Body ensures that the school is continually reflecting on and improving its practice, in order to create a learning environment in which all the children can achieve the best possible outcomes.

At Syresham St James CE Primary School the Governing Body has 12 members made up of 2 staff, 3 parents and 8 members from the local Church and Community. We are all volunteers who feel privileged to be part of Syresham Primary School and are committed to creating a school that has a strong ethos, where every child is valued, respects others and is inspired to a confident learner.

### **Strategic Plan**

Syresham St James CE Primary School aspires to be a welcoming, inclusive family with a Christian ethos, a sense of community and a commitment to excellence for all children in our care. To create and sustain a school community in which all parents, carers, pupils, staff and visitors feel welcome and valued. We strive to be a Governing Body which:

Provides support and challenge to the senior leadership to meet the needs and demands of the changing educational landscape.

Ensures the school is fully compliant with national/educational expectations.

Sustains the Christian ethos of our school and its focus on Christian values to enable our pupils to grow and develop in a loving, caring community.

Ensures levels of support for all pupils are of the highest standard so all pupils are supported to achieve their best.

Monitors, evaluate and challenge expectations and results and to hold the Head Teacher to account for the educational performance of the school, the well-being of the staff and safeguarding of the pupils.

Encourages interaction and cooperation with other local schools and to support school improvement by bringing staff together to share good practice.

Oversees the financial performance of the school, ensuring it is financially sound and making best use of funds in ways which have a positive impact on the quality of teaching, learning and achievement.



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Maintains and develop the buildings and grounds to a high standard providing the best possible facilities for work, exercise and play.

Is committed and enthusiastic Governing body and strive to improve Governor skills through training and supportive teamwork.

### How do we achieve this?

The full Governing Body meets four times a year, but also have three sub committees which each meet three times a year.

These are:

**The Resources, Premises & Safety Committee** which is responsible for budget setting, approval, planning and monitoring, health and safety, premises maintenance, appointments / staffing and performance management.

**The Strategy Committee** which is responsible for monitoring and evaluation of the School Improvement Plan, pupils progress and attainment, to carry out specific areas of work relating to the leadership and governance of the school, as delegated by the Full Governing Body e.g. reconstitution, governor health check, audit of governance.

**The Curriculum Committee** which is responsible for ensuring the school provides a broad and balanced curriculum in line with the requirements of the National Curriculum, ensuring that subjects are assessed and recorded and submitted in line with national requirements, monitoring and evaluation of teaching and learning and to ensure all policies related to statutory provision are reviewed regularly and are implemented and extended services provision, including SEN, Pupil Premium etc.

We also link all governors to a specific year group as well as to specific areas of responsibility within the School Improvement Plan in order to drive forward school improvements.

The Governing Body are always pleased to meet parents and pupils to discuss their work and to receive feedback on how they can be even more effective in their role. Please do not hesitate to contact Janet Cox, Chair of Governors if you would like to find out more about the Governing Body or are interested in becoming a Governor at [janetc@syreshamprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:janetc@syreshamprimaryschool.co.uk)

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