

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Role of the Governing Body

The Holy Cross Governing Body provide strategic leadership and accountability for the school.

Its main functions are to;

- To provide a strategic overview that ensures the pupils learn most effectively and achieve the highest standards
- Act as a “critical friend” of the school by providing the Headteacher and staff with support, advice and information and monitor and evaluate to school’s effectiveness and promote the interests of the school and pupils.
- To ensure accountability. We are accountable to parents, pupils, the community, the Local Authority and Ofsted

It is also responsible for many important decisions in the running of the school. These include:

- Appointing the Headteacher and Deputy Headteachers. Governors are also involved in the appointment of teaching staff as appropriate.
- Agreeing the aims of the school curriculum and ensuring the national curriculum is implemented
- Determining how the school’s budget is to be used each year
- Dealing with official complaints and exclusions

Our Governors

Our governing body includes:

- 1 governor nominated by the local authority;
- Headteacher;
- 1 elected staff governor;
- 9 Foundation
- 2 elected parent governors; and
- 2 co-opted governors

The staff governor is elected by the staff and normally serves for 4 years.

The parent governors are elected to serve the Governing Body by parents of the school and normally serve for 4 years.

Parent governors are pleased to hear about views and ideas and can be contacted in writing via the school office.

The Foundation governors are appointed by the Diocese to serve the Governing Body of the school and normally serve for 4 years.

The co-opted governors are invited onto the Governing Body, by the Governing Body, to add areas of expertise and to represent the local community. We use a robust set of skills audits to ascertain the requirements and expertise required by the governing body.

A full list of the governors as well as information about their appointment, committee membership, attendance, and the Register of Business interests is available below.

Governors' Details (for each governor who has served at any point over the past 12 months)

FULL NAME	CATEGORY	APPOINTED BY	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	TERM OF OFFICE (NUMBER OF YEARS AND END DATE)	DATE RESIGNED
Ms. M. Collins	Headteacher	N/A	N/A		N/A
Ms. M. Smith	Staff	Staff	12.10.16	4 – 11/10/20	N/A
vacant	Local Authority	Governors	03/12/12	4 – 03/12/16	N/A
Mrs. C. Sanderson	Co-opted	Governors	29/04/15	4 – 29/04/19	N/A
Mr. J. Watmore	Co-opted	Governors	29/04/15	4 – 29/04/19	N/A
Mrs T Nelson	Parent	Parents	16.11.16	4 – 15/11/20	N/A
Ms. D Gaskin-Palmer	Parent	Parents	14/10/15	4 – 14/10/19	N/A
Mrs. H. Santhokhy	Foundation	Diocese	21/06/15	4 – 21/06/19	N/A
Mr. J. Coote	Foundation	Diocese	01/09/14	4 – 01/09/18	N/A
Dr S Duncan	Foundation	Diocese	19.07.18	4 – 18/07/22	N/A
Mrs. J. Lee	Foundation	Diocese	01/09/14	4 – 01/09/18	N/A
Mr. P. Monaghan	Foundation	Diocese	27/11/12	4 – 27/11/16	N/A
Mr. B. Downton	Foundation	Diocese	06/10/13	4 – 06/10/17	N/A
Fr. D. Bull	Foundation	Diocese	26/05/14	4 – 26/05/18	N/A
Mr O Folkes	Foundation	Diocese	19/05/16	4 – 19/06/20	N/A
Ms. G Quintyn-Williams	Foundation	Diocese	28/02/14	4 – 28/02/18	N/A
Ms. G. Finaldi	Adviser	Governors	N/A	N/A*	N/A
Mrs. J. Wilson	Adviser	Governors	N/A	N/A*	N/A

* N/A means not applicable because he person is appointed as an adviser for as long as they are employed at the school.

1. Ms Collins is the Headteacher and takes this sole position on the governing body.

GOVERNORS' ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS 2017 2018 – GOVERNING BODY

NAME	11/10/17	31/01/18	11/07/18
Ms. M. Collins	Y	Y	Y
Ms. M. Smith	Y	Y	Y
Mrs. C. Sanderson	Y	Y	Y
Mr. J. Watmore	Y	Y	Y
Mrs T Nelson	Y	Y	Y
Ms. D Gaskin-Palmer	Y	Y	X
Mrs. H. Santhokhy	Y	X	Y
Mr. J. Coote	Y	X	Y
Dr S Duncan	X	Y	X
Mrs. J. Lee	Y	X	X
Mr. P. Monaghan	Y	Y	Y
Mr. B. Downton	Y	X	Y
Fr. D. Bull	Y	X	Y
Mr O Folkes	Y	Y	Y
Ms. G Quintyn-Williams	Y	Y	Y
Ms. G. Finaldi	Y	Y	Y
Mrs. J. Wilson	X	X	X

GOVERNORS' ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS 2017 2018 – CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

NAME	13/12/17	21/03/18	20/06/18
Ms. M. Collins	Y	Y	Y
Mr. B. Downton	Y	Y	Y
Mr. J. Coote	Y	Y	Y
Mrs. J. Lee	X	Y	Y
Ms. M. Smith	Y	Y	Y
Mrs. C. Sanderson	Y	Y	X
Mr O Folkes	Y	Y	Y
Ms. G Quintyn-Williams	Y	X	X

GOVERNORS' ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS 2017 2018 – RESOURCES COMMITTEE

NAME	13/12/17	21/03/18	25/04/18	20/06/18
Ms. M. Collins	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mr. J. Watmore	X	Y	Y	Y
Mrs. H. Santhokhy	Y	X	Y	Y
Mr. J. Coote	Y	Y	X	Y
Mr. P. Monaghan	Y	Y	Y	Y
Fr. D. Bull	Y	Y	X	X
Ms. G Quintyn-Williams	Y	Y	Y	X
Mrs T. Nelson	Y	Y	X	Y
Mrs. J. Wilson	X	Y	Y	X

REGISTER OF INTEREST

FULL NAME	CATEGORY	APPOINTED BY	TERM OF OFFICE (NUMBER OF YEARS AND END DATE)	COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP	POSITIONS ON GOVERNING BODY	BUSINESS INTEREST/RELATIONSHIPS/ SEAT ON OTHER GOVERNING BODIES
Ms. M. Collins	Headteacher	N/A	N/A	All	None	Employed by the School
Ms. M. Smith	Staff	Staff	4 – 11/10/20	Curriculum	None	Employed by the School
Mrs. C. Sanderson	Co-opted	Governors	4 – 03/12/16	Curriculum	None	NONE
Mr. J. Watmore	Co-opted	Governors	4 – 29/04/19	Curriculum	None	Employed by the School
Mrs T Nelson	Parent	Parents	4 – 29/04/19	All	Chair of Governors	M&G Investments
Ms. D Gaskin-Palmer	Parent	Parents	4 – 15/11/20	Resources	None	NONE
Mrs. H. Santhokhy	Foundation	Diocese	4 – 14/10/19	Resources	Chair of Resources	GP Practice
Mr. J. Coote	Foundation	Diocese	4 – 21/06/19	Curriculum Resources	None	NONE
Dr S Duncan	Foundation	Diocese	4 – 01/09/18	Curriculum	None	UCL Institute of Education – Senior Lecturer
Mrs. J. Lee	Foundation	Diocese	4 – 18/07/22	Curriculum	None	NONE
Mr. P. Monaghan	Foundation	Diocese	4 – 01/09/18	Resources	None	RBS Group – Relationship Director

						Parent Governor – Langley Park School for Boys
Mr. B. Downton	Foundation	Diocese	4 – 27/11/16	Curriculum	Chair of Curriculum Vice Chair of GB	Teacher – Bishop Thomas Grant School
Mr O Folkes	Foundation	Diocese	4 – 26/05/18	Curriculum	None	NONE
Ms. G Quintyn-Williams	Foundation	Diocese	4 – 19/06/20	Resources	None	NONE
Ms. G. Finaldi	Adviser	Governors	N/A	Curriculum	None	Employed by the School
Mrs. J. Wilson	Adviser	Governors	N/A	Resources	None	Employed by the School