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Hello and Welcome to the section of the website where you can find out more about the school's governors, and the work that we do.

Our main role is to support the Headteacher and the staff – the phrase often used to describe this role is 'a critical friend'. We help them to set and reach targets and to strive for excellence across the whole spectrum of school life. The two key documents used for this are the School Development Plan (SDP) and the Self Evaluation Form (SEF). The SDP sets out a three year strategic plan for the school, with targets each year that everyone works towards and the SEF sets out how well the school is doing and where we aim to make improvements.

Our legal duties include:-

- setting strategic direction, policies and objectives
- approving the school budget
- reviewing progress against the school's budget and objectives
- appointing, challenging and supporting the Headteacher

The Governing Body meets four or five times a year. We have committees to consider in more depth the curriculum, the premises and the finance and personnel. A small group (Headteacher, Chair of Committees, Chair and Vice Chair) meets every month to make strategic plans, discuss standards and monitor school finances between our main governor meetings.

There are several categories of governor, appointed by different groups that have an interest in the school. These governors are from the Community, the Local Authority, Parents, and Staff. All governors have equal status, however they are appointed.

We are committed to providing an excellent learning experience for all pupils to enjoy during their time at our school.

Neil Dunnet
Chair of Governors