

GOVERNORS

Governors are like a board of Directors and make decisions about how the school is run. They meet at least once a term at school.

Governors are appointed to help:

Decide what is taught

Set standards on behaviour

Interview and select staff

Decide how the school budget is spent

School Governors have legal duties, powers and responsibilities. They act together, they cannot act individually.

School Governors are:

Parents

Staff at the school

Local authority representatives

Co-opted community representatives

Why are parents on the Governing Body?

Parent governors bring the views of parents to the Governing Body, but they speak and act as individuals. They have equal status in the work of the Governing Body and have voting rights.

What Parent Governors are expected to do?

Parent Governors can make sure that all communications with parents are both informative and easy to read, describe the activities in everyday language and avoid the use of jargon. The Governors can ensure that parents have easy access to information.

What do Governors do?

The Governors meet at least once a term.

The Head teacher presents a report on all school activities, curriculum, finance and staffing matters. Discussions range over many issues, such as the state of the grounds and buildings, deployment of staff, the progress of learning of the pupils, finance, health and safety, wellbeing. There is a committee for Finance and Staffing, Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing and a working party for the Curriculum. Copies of reports and the minutes of meetings are available in school for parents to read, along with the instruments and articles of Government. The governors are all unpaid volunteers and have received no travel or subsistence allowance this year.

List of current Governors:

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| LA Governor Chair | Mr. Stephen Beckley | Appointment date: 01.9.04 Term of Office: 01.09.20 Expiry date: 31.8.2024 |
| Co-opted Governor Vice Chair | Mrs. Pauline Whitehead | Appointment date: 17.6.2023 Term of Office: 10.06.2019 Expiry date: 09.06.2023 |
| Co-opted Governor | Mrs. Ann Hanaghan | Appointment date: 20.02.21 Term of Office: 22.02.21 Expiry date: 21.2.2025 |
| Co-opted Governor | Mr. Ian Hartley | Appointment date: 10.06.15 Term of Office: 10.06.19 Expiry date: 09.06.2023 |
| Co-opted Governor | Mrs. Susan Gee | Appointment date: 10.06.15 Term of Office: 10.06.19 Expiry date: 09.06.2023 |
| Co-opted Community Governor | Vacancy | |
| Co-opted Governor | Mrs. Jill Hudson | Appointment date: 08.10.18 Term of Office: 1.10.22 Expiry date: 30.9.26 |
| Co-opted Governor | Mr. James Woodward | Appointment date: 10.06.15 Term of Office: 10.06.19 Expiry date: 09.06.2023 |
| Parent Governor | Ms. Jenny Allen | Appointment date: 15.10.21 Term of Office: 15.10.21 Expiry date: 14.10.2025 |
| Parent Governor | Miss Liz Rudd | Appointment date: 02.11.20 Term of Office: 02.11.20 Expiry date: 1.11.2024 |
| Parent Governor | Mrs. Helen Singleton | Appointment date: 14.10.19 Term of Office: 07.11.19 Expiry date: 13.10.2023 |
| Staff Governor | Vacancy c/o Buckstones School | Appointment date: Term of Office: Expiry date: |
| Co-opted Governor | Mr James Mannix | Appointment date: 1.2.23 Term of Office: 1.2.23 Expiry date: 31.1.27 |
| Co-opted Governor | Mrs. Valerie Joyce | Appointment date: 01.9.22 Term of Office: 01.09.22 Expiry date: 31.8.2026 |
| Head teacher | Miss Sarah Healey c/o Buckstones School | Appointment date: 1.9.2002 |

| Type | Name of Governor | Last Full Governors Attended |
|---------------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| LA Governor Chair | Mr. Stephen Beckley | 1.2.23 |
| Co-opted Governor Vice Chair | Mrs. Pauline Whitehead | 1.2.23 |
| Co-opted Governor | Mrs. Ann Hanaghan | 1.2.23 |
| Co-opted Governor | Mr. Ian Hartley | 1.2.23 |
| Co-opted Governor | Mrs. Susan Gee | 03.11.21 |
| Co-opted Governor | Mrs. Val Joyce | 1.2.23 |
| Co-opted Parent Governor | Mrs. Jill Hudson | 1.2.23 |
| Co-opted Parent Governor | Mr. James Woodward | 1.2.23 |
| Parent Governor | Miss Liz Rudd | 2.11.22 |
| Parent Governor | Mrs. Helen Singleton | 2.11.22 |
| Staff Governor | | |
| Co-opted Governor | Mr James Mannix | 1.2.23 |
| Parent Governor | Ms. Jenny Allen | 15.6.22 |
| Head teacher | Miss Sarah Healey c/o Buckstones School | 1.2.23 |

| Committee Membership | | Business, Pecuniary and Personal Interest | Last meeting attended |
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| Staffing Significant Change Pay/Finance Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing/Health and Safety Link Governor GDPR HR Policy | Mr. Stephen Beckley | None 23.1.23 | Pay/Finance - 24.5.22 Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing - 22.11.22 |
| Curriculum Staffing Significant Change Pupil Discipline Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing/Health and Safety Appeals SEND Governor Analyse Information and Data | Mrs. Pauline Whitehead | None 19.1.23 | Curriculum - 24.1.23 Pay/Finance - 8.11.22 Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing - 22.11.22 |
| Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing/Health and Safety Health and Safety Attendance | Mr. Ian Hartley | None 1.2.23 | Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing - 22.11.22 |
| Curriculum Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing/Health and Safety Staffing Appeals Pupil Absence Pupil Discipline Child Protection/Safeguarding Governor | Mrs. Susan Gee | None 24.01.22 | Curriculum - 25.01.22 Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing - 29.06.21 |
| Curriculum Literacy Governor SEND | Mrs. Jill Hudson | Parent 27.10.22 | Curriculum - 20.09.22 |
| Significant Change Pay/Finance I.T. Governor Financial Health and Efficiency Significant Change I.T. Digital and Remote Learning | Mr. James Woodward | Parent 27.10.22 | Pay/Finance - 8.11.22 |

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| Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing/Health and Safety Pay/Finance | Miss Liz Rudd | Parent 02.11.22 | Pay/Finance - 8.11.22 Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing - 08.03.22 |
| Curriculum Pupil Discipline Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing/Health and Safety Closing the Gap for EAL Learners EMHW Science Governor | Mrs. Helen Singleton | Parent 20.10.22 | Curriculum - 20.09.22 Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing - 22.11.22 |
| Curriculum History and Geography Maths, | Mrs Anne Hanaghan | Governor at another Oldham School 24.1.23 | Curriculum - 24.1.23 |
| Curriculum | c/o Buckstones School | | Curriculum |
| Curriculum Pupil Absence EYFS | Ms. Jenny Allen | None 15.6.22 | Curriculum- 3.5.22 |
| Pay/Finance | Mr James Mannix | Parent of a child in school 30.11.22 | Pay/Finance - |
| Curriculum Staffing Pay/Finance Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing/Health and Safety | Miss Sarah Healey c/o Buckstones School | None 1.2.23 | Curriculum - 24.1.23 Pay/Finance - 8.11.22 Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing - 22.11.22 |
| Curriculum | Mrs Valerie Joyce | None 21.1.23 | Curriculum - 24.1.23 |

| Governor meeting | Agenda |
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| Full Governors - 1.2.23 | <p>During the meeting the Governors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Received a report outlining what we have been doing in school which included reviewing the recent pupil questionnaire • Reviewed the School Development Plan • Reviewed a Safeguarding Audit • Discussed a Safeguarding report • Discussed Music teaching in school • Food standards • School website • EYFS provision • Received a report from the Chair • Agreed the SEND Local Offer and SEND Policy • Agreed the Accessibility Plan • Agreed the following policies: Intimate Care • Reported on the fire drill and lockdown drill |
| Curriculum Committee Meeting - 24.1.23 | <p>During the meeting the Governors agreed and discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonics Policy • Writing Policy • Educational Visits Policy • Maths Policy • Behaviour Policy and Anti-Bullying Policy • Standards • KS2 Reading Questionnaire |
| Pay/Finance - 8.11.22 | <p>During the meeting the Governors discussed and/or agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreed the new budget • Reviewed the School Fund Accounts • Discussed changes in working patterns for Teaching Assistants affected by the lengthening of the school day |
| Premises/Health and Safety/Wellbeing/Health and Safety/Safeguarding - 22.11.22 | <p>During the meeting the Governors reviewed and/or agreed :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The plan of works from the Site Manager • Planned a Safeguarding Audit • Carried out a Health and Safety walk |

Governors Training

Jenny Allen

New Governors Induction Training (3 session course)
New Governors Induction Training (3 session course)
Supporting Children with Speech Sound Difficulties
New Governors Induction Training (3 session course)
Health & Safety Responsibilities of a School Governor
Promoting the Education of Children Looked After and Children with a Social Worker
GovernorHub Tour
Prevent Online Training Course

Stephen Beckley

Chairs Briefing & Professional Development
Ofsted Training in School
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SEND - Ofsted and Oldham's Inclusion Strategy
Chairs Briefing & Professional Development
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Susan Gee

Ofsted Training in School
Preparation for Ofsted and Effective Challenge
Exclusion and Fair Access Training
Safeguarding
Safeguarding e learning module
Keeping Children Safe in Education 2020 - Governor Responsibility

Safer Recruitment

WRAP (Workshop Raising Awareness of Prevent)

Introduction to Safeguarding - Governors Responsibilities

Induction for New Governors 3/3

Induction for New Governors 2/3

Induction for New Governors 1/3

Ann Hanaghan

Chairs Briefing & Professional Development

Developing the role of the governor

Prevent Online Training Course

Safeguarding eLearning Module

Chairs Briefing & Professional Development

Preparation for Ofsted and Effective Challenge

Chairs Briefing & Professional Development

SEND - Ofsted and Oldham's Inclusion Strategy

Promoting the Educational Needs of Looked After & Previously
Looked After Children

Governing Body Succession Planning Workshop

Governor Mark - Impact Statements

Governor Mark - Support and Challenge

Getting to Good - Session 1

Governor Mark - Strategic Leadership and Statutory
Responsibilities

Governor Mark

Headteacher and Teacher Appraisal - Governors Responsibilities

Ian Hartley

Prevent Training

Ofsted Training In School

Health & Safety Responsibilities of a School Governor

Preparation for Ofsted and Effective Challenge

Health & Safety Management for School Governors

Attendance Training for School Governors

Preparation for Ofsted and Effective Challenge
Health & Safety Management for School Governors
Understanding Data and Target Setting
Governor Mark
Governor Mark
Governor Mark
Induction for New Governors 3/3
Induction for New Governors 2/3
Induction for New Governors 1/3

Elizabeth Rudd

A Governor Toolkit to a Wellbeing Conversation: How to Support
Heads and SLT in your role
Keeping Children Safe in Education - Governor Responsibility
Training
Wellbeing for Education Return for Governors and Trustees

Helen Singleton

Prevent Training
Ofsted Training In School
Mental Health Champions Foundation (Place2be)
Preparation for Ofsted and Effective Challenge
Health and Wellbeing and Neuroscience
Induction for New Governors 3/3
Induction for New Governors 2/3
Induction for New Governors 1/3

Pauline Whitehead

Governor webinar | Supporting digital strategies in your schools
GovernorHub Tour
Girlguiding UK - 'A Safe Space' Level 3 Safeguarding Training
The Art of Taking the Chair
Chairs Briefing & Professional Development
Understanding the FFT Dashboard for Governors

Governor Mark

Governor Mark

Recruitment, Assessment and Selection and Appointment Process

Managing Contracts of Employment

Being a Governor: Human Resource Responsibility

Understanding Data and Target Setting

Governors and School Finance

New Performance Management Regulations

The Monitoring Role of the Governing Body

The Role of the Governor in Cases of Disciplinary Exclusion from School

The Annual Report to Parents and its Role in Communicating with Parents

Increasing the Effectiveness of the Governing Body

James Woodward

Governor Mark

Governor Mark

Governor Mark

Valerie Joyce

National College Safeguarding Training