

# Holy Trinity Rosehill CofE (VA) Primary School



## Annual Governance Statement for the Governing Body of Holy Trinity Rosehill CofE (VA) Primary School 2019-2020

### School Mission Statement

Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop its religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at parish and diocesan level.

The school aims to serve its community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith, and promotes Christian and British values through the experience it offers to all its pupils.

The Governing Body of Primary School of **Holy Trinity Rosehill CofE (VA) Primary School** has a strong focus on its three core strategic functions:

1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
2. Holding the Head Teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff; and
3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

<p><b>Governance arrangements</b></p>	<p>We currently have a Governing Body consisting of 13 members. Our Governing Body is made up of Parents, Foundation (Church), Local Authority and staff governors.</p> <p>Our Governors have a broad skill set which enable them to support and challenge successfully. Each Governor is a member of at least one committee: Resources, School Improvement and Ethos, Pay Review and Admissions.</p>
<p><b>Role of Governors</b></p>	<p>Governors discussed school policies due for renewal and adopted new policies. Finance was reported at each meeting which detailed the school's financial position in relation to income and expenditure, particularly in relation to the school budget set in 2020 for the 2020/2021 school year. Governors considered the Pupil Premium and Sports Premium Grant spending as well as examining the impact of this in the previous school year.</p> <p>Issues related to the school buildings and premises were discussed with forthcoming plans for improvement.</p> <p>Governors, at different times, made monitoring visits across the course of the year in relation to the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teaching, Learning &amp; Assessment</li> <li>• Leadership &amp; Management</li> <li>• Personal Development, Behaviour &amp; Welfare</li> <li>• Safeguarding &amp; Child Protection</li> <li>• School Improvement Plan</li> </ul> <p>Our Head Teacher Mrs Swift presented a comprehensive report at each meeting (including the reporting of attendance issues).</p> <p>Governors were also concerned about safeguarding and child protection issues. The nominated Governor for Safeguarding Mrs Himsworth met with the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Swift on a half termly basis.</p>
<p><b>Key Issues faced and addressed by</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appointment of our Deputy Head Teacher</li> <li>• Managing and setting our School Budget with decreasing funds</li> <li>• Supporting new Governors</li> <li>• Establishing assessment systems</li> </ul>

<b>the Governing Body</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impact of Covid 19 and school remaining open for children of Key Workers and Vulnerable Children</li> <li>• Preparation for full re-opening of school</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment of Impact</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 132 children were in school by end of summer term 2020 -children of Key Workers and Vulnerable Children</li> <li>• More focussed monitoring by Governors has led to more effective support and challenge</li> </ul>
<b>Future plans for the Governing Body</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recovery of our children and our community</li> <li>• New challenges during these times of a global pandemic</li> </ul> <p>Our Governing Body is part of our School Improvement Planning process. One of the main priorities for our Governing Body is to ensure that progress from KS1 to KS2 in reading, writing and maths continues to improve.</p> <p>Our Governing Body recognises the challenges of the future in particular the demands of a split site school and the prospect of a reduced budget.</p>
<b>Contact Details</b>	<p>The Governing Body welcomes suggestions, feedback and ideas from parents/carers. Please contact our Chair of Governors Mrs Himsworth via our school email <a href="mailto:holytrinityrosehill@sbcschools.org.uk">holytrinityrosehill@sbcschools.org.uk</a></p> <p>Details of ourfull Governing Body are on the school website.</p>