



School Governance

What do School Governors do?

We have six meetings a year; three Full Governing Body meetings where we are supported with a clerk from the Local Authority and three Full Governing Body Business meetings.

Three other meetings are business committees

The Chair of Governors is Emma Paine.

There are three main responsibilities for governing bodies as a whole.

- **Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction** - The governing body should agree the strategic priorities, aims and objectives for the school and agree the policies, plans and targets for how to achieve them. They should monitor progress and review regularly their strategic framework for the school in the light of the progress.
- **Hold the Head teacher to account** - It is the role of the Governing body to support and strengthen the head teacher's leadership and to hold them to account for the performance of pupils and staff. This is particularly important in relation to the educational performance of the school.
- **Oversee school finances** - Governing bodies are responsible for making sure their school's money is well spent. They should do this by making sure that they have at least one governor with specific skills and experience of financial matters, and by asking questions.

Each governor has a link role within the school, these are Performance Management and Appraisal, Child Protection, SEND, Health & Safety, Complaints, Governor Training, Key Stage link governors, Pupil Premium, RSHE and PE.

Who Are the Governors?

Name of Governor	Type	Start date	End date	Pecuniary interest declared	Governance roles in other schools
Emma Paine Chair of Governors	Co-opted	01.02.20	31.01.28	Family relations to governor at National Academy	LAC Governor @ Diverse Academies Trust. Lead Governance Professional @ The Two Counties Trust
Helen Zobel Vice Chair	Co-opted	06.11.18	05.11.26	Chair of Friends of Leen Mills	
Karen Goldson	Staff Head teacher	01.05.22		Headteacher of school	
Hannah Lindahl	Co-opted	04.01.21	24.11.28		
Zipporah Kruse	Co-opted	14.03.22	13.03.29		
Karen Whilde	Co-opted	20.06.22	19.06.26	Longstanding friendship with TA at school	

Alison Horton	Staff	05.02.24	04.02.28		
Thomas Lynk	Parent	25.11.24	24.11.28		
Natalie Bryan	Parent	17.10.25	16.10.29		

Previous Governors (the past three years)

Name of Governor	Type	Start date	End date	Pecuniary interest declared	Governance roles in other schools
Damian Cooney	Co-opted	25.06.18	24.06.22		
Russell Tew	Staff Head teacher	01.09.13	30.04.22		
Glenn Hutchinson	Staff Governor (elected)	01.09.19	19.06.23		
Katie Tomlinson	Co-opted	01.02.21	06.11.23		
Kate Edwards	Parent Governor	10.03.20	09.03.24		
Shaun Pollard	Co-opted	25.11.24	04.07.25		

Parent Governors are elected from the parents of the school, local authority governors are appointed by Nottinghamshire County Council, co-opted governors are invited onto the governing body and staff governors are voted by the staff of the school and include the Head.

All of the governors undertake their role on a voluntary basis – our time is given willingly to benefit the school and the children.

Governor Attendance 2024-25

Name	Pay committee Autumn	Business committee Autumn	Business committee Spring	Business committee Summer	FGB Autumn	FGB Spring	FGB Summer
Emma Paine	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Helen Zobel	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Karen Goldson	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Zipporah Kruse		A	A	A	A	A	A
Hannah Lindahl	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Karen Whilde		√	√	√	√	A	A
Alison Horton		√	A	√	√	√	√
Thomas Lynk			√	√	√	√	√
Shaun Pollard			A	A		√	A