

Who governs St Patrick's

St Patrick's Catholic Primary and Nursery Voluntary Academy is governed by our School Governors.

The Governing Body is made up of different types of Governors.

The aim of the Governing Body is to help the academy provide the best possible Catholic education for pupils.

The Governing Body does this by:

- Working with the Head Teacher and staff to set strategic aims for the school, based on its mission and strategies
- Monitoring and evaluating performance, acting as a critical friend to the Head Teacher and Senior Management Team to support and challenge them in running the school
- Ensuring that the academy is accountable to the children and parents it serves, to its local community, to those who fund and maintain it, as well as to the staff it employs
- Ensuring that the academy maintains its distinctive Catholic ethos and fully delivers its' mission statement.

To address the growing need for Governors to have an increasingly in depth knowledge and understanding of their school, a decision was taken by the Governing Body to adopt a 'Joint-Committee' approach to all areas of school life.

This enables all of our Governors to be fully informed about all areas of Governance, including Curriculum, Finance and Personnel, ensuring that they can each make fully informed judgements and management decisions. Furthermore, it ensures that the Governing Body is not reliant on a few Governors for specific areas of expertise and is able to manage Governor vacancies more effectively.

Foundation Governors Appointed by the Bishop of Nottingham (NRCDES)

Name	Role	Date of Appointment	Term ends
Mrs Therese Whitehall	Foundation Governor/ Safeguarding Link Governor	1 st October 2017	30 th September 2021
Mr Paul Belshaw	Chair of Governors	1 st July 2017	30 th June 2021
Mrs Pauline Baptist	Foundation Governor/ Catholic Life Link Governor	1 st November 2018	31 st October 2022
Mrs Obi Oguagwu	Vice Chair of Governors/Curriculum Link Governor	1 st September 2014	31 st August 2022

Parent-Elected Governors

Mrs Ann-Marie Kavanagh	Elected Parent Governor/SEND Link Governor	5 th February 2018	4 th February 2022
Vacancy	Elected Parent Governor		

Community Governor Appointed by the Bishop of Nottingham (NRCDES)

Mr Graham Young	Associate/E-Safety Link Governor	3 rd September 2018	1 st September 2022
Cathy Andrews	Clerk to the Governors		N/A