Dunnington C of E VA Primary School

Full Governing Board Terms of Reference

We Care, We Believe, We Succeed – Together

Our Christian Vision

'Encourage one another and build each other up' (Thessalonians 5: 11)

Our Vision is to place the child at the heart of everything we do. It is to work together, where everyone encourages each other to be a partner in learning.

We aim to provide a safe, happy, caring and stimulating community, where every child is given the opportunity to reach their true potential and to celebrate their successes. Within our learning environment, children will:

- Develop a thirst for knowledge, they will be encouraged to raise questions and develop their thinking and learning skills
- Develop physically, emotionally and spiritually, ensuring they are equipped for the ever-changing and demanding world in which we live

In our school we will:

- Respect each other's beliefs
- Care for each other and the environment
- Connect with the wider community

In learning and teaching we will set high standards and aspire for excellence in everything we do, ensuring that our curriculum is relevant and purposeful. We are determined to create an inclusive culture of learning where all children are challenged in their thinking, discover their talents, achieve to the best of their abilities and become motivated and resilient life-long learners.

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Full Governing Board of Dunnington C of E Primary School

Purpose:

Our board has 3 strategic core functions:

- To work collaboratively with the Senior Leadership team ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction for the school.
- Holding executive leaders/headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

The main responsibilities to be managed by the board are outlined below.

Membership: a minimum of 7 members as a VA school, no upper limit

- Headteacher
- Two elected parents
- One Local Authority Governor
- One member of staff
- Two more foundation Governors than the total of all others– no maximum number

A chair and vice-chair will be elected and a clerk will be appointed.

Quorum: one half of the membership excluding any vacancies.

Meetings

The governing board will meet at least *5* times a year. Minutes of the meetings will be shared with the board and made available to the public.

Policies and compliance

- The board will review and ratify all relevant school policies and procedures.

Monitoring

The board will be responsible for:

- Monitoring pupil premium spending
- Ensuring that the National Curriculum is taught to all pupils
- Checking that the statutory required information is published on the school's website
- Ensuring that health and safety regulations are followed
- Review and approve the School Improvement Plan (SIP).
- Monitoring admissions and pupil number trends
- Determining the standards of conduct from the entire school community.