



Welcome

Welcome to the first edition of our termly Newsletter in which the Governors aim to keep you informed about the important work that we do with the school.

We are fortunate to have a committed, enthusiastic and capable team in place for the year ahead, with Governors who bring a range of expertise and leadership experience. Following good practice in governance, we have refreshed our areas of responsibility this academic year and have made the changes below to the Governing Body structure and responsibilities.

Who Are We?

Name of Governor	Name of Link Area
Sue Tysall	Teaching & Learning, SEND, Safeguarding inc. Behaviour & Attendance and Curriculum inc. Assessment and Data
Michael Parker	Teaching & Learning inc. More Able & Creativity, Sustainability, Community and School Profile
Julie Nemeth	Building & Health and Safety, HR inc. Health and Safety, Staff/Pupil Well-being and Mental Health
Amelia Willis	SEND, Pupil and Sports Premium inc. Finance
David Vernau	Buildings and Health/Safety
John Wardle	EYFS, Phonics, Community and School Profile
Trevor Baughan	Teaching & Learning, Safeguarding inc. Behaviour & Attendance, Community and School Profile
Sam Reynolds	Curriculum inc Assessment and Data, Digital Technology
Mark Wells	Curriculum inc. Assessment and Data, Pupil and Sports Premium inc. Finance
Chauntelle Wildman	Equality and Diversity, EYFS and Phonics
Paul Haylock	Head Teacher

The Work of the Governing Body

The Governing Body at Poverest is an integral part of the leadership of the school, helping to set strategic priorities and supporting our Headteacher and staff. We monitor the school's performance in all areas and hold the Headteacher to account by asking the right questions. Most of our work is conducted through our two committees;

1. Behaviour for Learning; including Achievement, Safeguarding, Community and Behaviour;
2. Resources.



Our Main Functions

All governing bodies have three main functions:

1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction (our Vision Statement is available on the website);
2. Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and our children, along with the performance management of staff;
3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure our money is well spent.

Governor Visits to Poverest

As well our termly meetings we also visit Poverest to see first-hand our areas of responsibility where we meet with both staff and children, along with outside Stakeholders such as the Borough School Improvement Team.

In addition, we attend as many school events as we possibly can. Our Vice Chair of Governors also attends the regular Parents Forum.

Getting in Touch

Parents/carers and staff are welcome to contact the Governing Body directly.

Letters to the Governing Body should be addressed to the Chair of Governors and delivered to the school office.

Alternatively, please email - stysall@poverest.co.uk

As a Governing Body, we would like to know what you feel about Poverest; we fully realise the school sends out a Parents Questionnaire.

What do you think Poverest School does well?

What do you think Poverest School needs do better?

We welcome your thoughts on these questions.

There will be a box in the school foyer for you to place your responses in.

Finally, you may have noticed the remedial building work that has been happening within the school. These works should have been completed by the end of the summer holidays but are still ongoing. It is a situation which is beyond our control as a Governing Body, but please be assured it is not the RACC that has been publicised in the press.

The Governing Body looks forward to hearing from you.

Sue Tysall (Chair) and the Poverest School Governing Body