



St George's School Governing Board Annual Report 2024

The Governing Body is made up of Church Governors, elected Parent Governors, Local Authority Governor and Staff Governors. Along with the Headteacher, they have overall responsibility for the running of the school and has the following core functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

The Governing Body are all volunteers who contribute to setting and monitoring the school improvement priorities to ensure that St George's continues to provide an education that inspires and nurtures every child to achieve individual excellence.

Our governing body holds our children's best interests both academically and pastorally at the heart of all their decision making. They enjoy making regular visits to the school, to support the children, parents and staff. This enables Governors to see how improvement priorities and initiatives are being implemented as well as giving a valuable insight into aspects of teaching and learning.

We have a very active role in the Colne, Stour and Mid-Tendring Partnership, our School-led Improvement Group, and we collaborate with other small schools to provide challenging opportunities in sport and other enrichment activities. Through this provision of a wide range of extra-curricular activities and sporting challenges we aim to inspire and nurture every child to develop excellence in their own skills for future life.

Vacancies arise for new Governors from time to time. We currently have 2 vacancies for Governors and welcome interest, particularly from those who may have Financial or Early Years backgrounds. If you are interested in becoming a governor and feel you can contribute to the Governing Body, please do speak to the Head teacher or the Chair of Governors.

St George's School 2024 Governor & Staffing Updates

We would like to thank all staff for their continued dedication and commitment to ensure our children have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

We welcome new teachers, Mr Anton Morelli and Mrs Nicky Powell to the St Georges Team.

At the end of the academic year 2023-24 we said goodbye to Mrs Katie Crouch & Miss Lianne Brooks along with Governors David Branchflower, Phil Riches-Weedon.

Our long standing Chair of Governors, Nigel Rowe stepped down as Chair, however, remains on the Governing Body. Lorna Sharp, our previous Vice Chair has now stepped up to the role of Chair.

We thank them all for their invaluable contributions, support & dedication to St Georges.



The governors are very pleased to share some of the schools highlights for 2023-2024:

Key Stage Two Outcomes - 86% of our Year 6 pupils reached the Expected Standard or above in Reading, Writing and Maths, well above the National Average.

We put on two very successful theatrical performances: 'A Christmas Spectacular' by Key Stage One and 'Hagbane's Doom' by Key Stage Two.

The children have taken part in many educational trips, including visits to Colchester Zoo, Chelmsford Cathedral Schools Day & Greenwich Museum amongst others. These visits offer pupils a chance to enhance their learning outside of the classroom.



We were very pleased to receive funding from the Local Authority's Inclusion framework which saw the welcome addition of the Garden room for use for Group work outside of the classroom. Staff and pupils are looking forward to utilising this wonderful new space.

We wish to thank the PTA who organised successful events for children and parents, raising significant sums of money for the school and contributing to many projects and initiatives over the year. These funds are vital to providing additional enrichment opportunities for the pupils.

We enjoyed working with St George's Church throughout the year, attending church for celebrations and festivals. Pupils took part in events including Harvest & Flower festivals. This close association with St Georges Church and the wider community of Great Bromley is an important part of our school life.



In these challenging economic times, we rely more and more on the goodwill of volunteers to ensure we can continue to provide a rich experience for our pupils.

We would like to say a big thank all stakeholders for their continued support and commitment to our school community; above all, we appreciate our dedicated staff team led by our Headteacher and of course our invaluable volunteers.