



SOUTHWICK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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GOVERNORS' REPORT FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2015-2016

The governors would like to welcome all new staff and pupils to the school since the start of this academic year. The number of pupils at the school has increased this academic year resulting in 185 pupils on roll.

We are now well into the current academic year and all the staff and pupils continue to work hard. The regular school [newsletters](#) provide updates on the daily life of the school, including the events taking place and updates on staff changes. The governors were pleased to support the recently launched Southwick CE School Facebook site (<https://www.facebook.com/Southwick-Primary-School>) and we are sure that this will be a useful additional area to share and communicate with parents and the wider community.

The Governors congratulate the Year 2 and Year 6 children and teachers on the end of year Sats results.

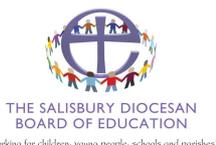
Information on the role of a governor and the membership of Southwick Primary school's governing body can be viewed [here](#). We have also produced an information leaflet giving an overview of the role of a governor which is also held on our governor pages of the school website and is available in paper format from the school office. The governing body continues to focus their actions to align with the key findings and recommendations for improvement identified in the Ofsted inspection of December 2014. We will continue to support, monitor and challenge the school to ensure that the best education possible is provided to the pupils. To enable this to happen the governors have introduced a Standards and Curriculum committee and a Resources committee who both separately review specific aspects of the school in addition to the meetings held by the full governing body.

For the 2015/16 academic year the following meetings have been scheduled. This will enable regular involvement by the governors in the strategic review of the school to enable them to better monitor, challenge and support the school leadership team and staff.

Type of meeting	Number of meetings in 2015/16	Composition
Full Governing Body meeting	6	All governors
Standards committee	6	7 governors
Resources committee	5	6 governors

In addition, each individual governor has been assigned a lead area of interest, such as safeguarding, SEN, church school distinctiveness, pupil/school performance data and Health & Safety. The governors also attend professionally facilitated governor courses and undertake visits to the school, as well as attending events run by the school.

The comments and feedback that parents provided to the governor sponsored parents' annual questionnaire in July 2015 has also helped us to continue to increase our visibility at the school. This remains an ongoing process and the production of the governor information leaflet and the setting up of a school Facebook page are just two of the actions undertaken. We will send out another parents' questionnaire in June / July 2016 and will also issue a staff questionnaire during 2015/16 to further engage with the school. We will use the outcomes from these, along



with the Ofsted report, to continue to update school stakeholders on how the governing body is undertaking its role.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Hiscock', written in a cursive style.

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Chair of Governors

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