

## **Annual Governance Statement for the Governing Body**

In accordance with the Government's requirement for all governing bodies, the 4 core strategic functions of The Dingle Primary School Governing Body are:

- > Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos, values and strategic direction;
- > Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils;
- > Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure it is well spent;
- > Ensuring the highest possible standards of Safeguarding.

## The Governing Body is currently made up of 12 governors:

1 x Headteacher, 4 x parent governors, 1 staff governor, 4 Co-opted governors, 1 LA governor (vacant) and 2 Associate Governors (who do not have voting rights).

The Full Governing Body meets at least once each term, we also have 2 committees to consider different aspects of the school in detail. These committees are:

- \*Leadership and Management (includes finance/staffing/SFVS)
- \*Teaching and Learning

## The work that we have completed in our committees:

- \*School budget monitoring
- \*Pupil Premium and Sports Grant monitoring
- \*Health & Safety monitoring
- \*Monitor performance management of Head and staff
- \*Monitoring of curriculum
- \*Monitor progress and attainment of pupils
- \*Data analysis to ensure pupils make good progress from their starting points
- \*Monitor and track attendance and punctuality
- \*Act as a critical friend
- \*Monitor wrap around care provision
- \*Monitor safeguarding policy and procedures
- \*Evaluate parents' and pupils' questionnaires
- \*Monitor staff CPD
- \*Monitor pupil behaviour
- \*Monitor progress against the School's Development Plan
- \*Appoint staff in line with school requirements
- \*Act as a champion for pupils, parents and staff.

## **Governing Body Development Plan 2025/2026:**

- \*Consider Academy conversion;
- \*Balance the school budget;
- \*Manage pupil admission numbers and school expansion;
- \*Challenge the school to maintain an 'Outstanding' Ofsted judgement especially in reference to the school's quality of education;
- \* Monitor pupils' attendance, especially how the school is working to reduce the persistent absence of some individuals.

The Governors can be contacted by writing a letter in to school and clearly marking the envelope FAO The Governing Body.