

# **Alfreton Park School**

## **Governors Annual Impact Statement.**

“Pupils are eager to attend this much-loved school”  
(Ofsted report May 2022)

### **Core Functions of the Governing Board**

Our aim as governors will continue to be to ensure that our pupils achieve their full potential through access to our school curriculum whilst valuing and respecting cultural diversity, gender, additional need and disability,

This statement is part of the Governors evaluation process.

### **Governor Priorities**

- 1) To secure the best possible outcomes for our pupils by strengthening the leadership skills of all stakeholders
- 2) To secure the best possible outcomes for our pupils by improving the quality of teaching, learning and assessment.
- 3) To ensure that our pupils are firmly focused on personal development, behaviour and welfare
- 4) To provide our pupils with the best possible premises and resources while monitoring the financial performance of the school Holding the Head Teacher to

account whilst setting the vision, ethos and strategic direction of the school.

### **Governor Attendance**

The Governing Board have taken the decision to disband the Teaching and Learning and Resource and Management committees and instead to have these functions as standing items on all Full Governors meetings thereby ensuring that all members of the Board are fully conversant with all aspects of the school operation.

Attendance at all Governing Board meetings continues to be high and there are no concerns regarding the level of commitment shown by Board members.

Now that the covid pandemic has seemingly passed its peak, Governors are again visiting school and participating in activities and training. These visits are welcomed by both pupils and staff as it reinforces the bond with Governors and aids the understanding of the day-to-day life of the school.

### **School Development Plan**

Governors continue to work with the Head and the SLT to develop and hone the SDP. Now that the restrictions of the covid pandemic have been lifted, Governors are keen to re-start the learning walks in order to monitor the effectiveness of any changes or improvements made to the SDP.

The Governors continue to review all relevant policies on a timetable basis with particular attention to the statutory policies.

### **Governor Training and Development**

The school continues to buy into the Derby and Derbyshire Governance Partnership who provide training and development workshops. Governors continue to show commitment by attending appropriate courses.

### **Impact Summary**

This year saw the sad loss of our Teaching and Learning expert Kevin Dean who will be sadly missed.

However, we were fortunate to recruit two new Governors – Rebecca Wells and Susan Allen who both have experience in education and will strengthen the Board’s understanding of educational issues.

There has been an Ofsted inspection in May 2022 and the school was again awarded a “good” rating although the inspectors acknowledged the work put in to maintain this level meant that improvements had been made.

We have appointed a new Head, Deputy Head and Assistant Head and successfully negotiated the move into our fantastic new school. The work to continue our progress toward an outstanding rating will continue.

### **Future and Continuous Improvement.**

The Governing Board and the SLT are committed to achieving an Ofsted outstanding rating for the school and that we

continue to promote ambition and achievement for all pupils and staff.

Ongoing and future aims are:

- To develop and maintain a new website
- To strive to improve employment prospects for pupils who leave the school
- To develop links with the local community and businesses in order to promote awareness of the contribution our pupils can make to society.