

# Meet the Governors

## Welcome

Here you will find information about the Governing Board of Thorns Primary School.

We are a group of 9 people made up of School staff, parents and others with a keen passion to ensure that the children of Thorns Primary receive the best education possible.

Governors have 3 main roles.

- To ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- To hold the Headteacher to account for the education performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of the staff
- To oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure that the money is well spent

*Governance Handbook* DfE (March 2019)

As a Governing Board, we have a range of expertise to ensure that these 3 functions are fulfilled. We meet regularly throughout the academic year as a Governing Board in order to carry out these functions.

We meet as a Governing Board twice each term when we all discuss, question and challenge the leadership of the School. We do not have Committees as such but conduct our work during our two full Governing Body meetings. We do have Committees for Pay, Pay Appeals, Pupil Disciplinary, Staff Disciplinary and Appeals but these Committees only meet when required to do so.

We also attend Governor Days/Mornings which are held regularly throughout the academic year. This is when we visit School to carry out first-hand monitoring. We have the chance to talk to the children and to experience life at Thorns Primary for ourselves. We also visit School at other times.

## Governing Board List 2018/2019

<b>Name and Category</b>	<b>Date Appointed</b>	<b>Appointing Body</b>	<b>Term Ends</b>
Mrs R Jordan Headteacher	1.09.2018	Ex Officio	
Mrs J Price Local Authority Governor Chair of Governors	16.11.2017	Local Authority	15.11.2019

Miss R Moncrieffe-Simpson Co-opted Governor	16.07.2018	Governing Board	15.07.2022
Vacancy Co-opted Governor		Governing Board	
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Mrs R Dalgleish Parent Governor	19.07.2016	Parent Body	18.07 2020
Miss E Homer Parent Governor	19.07.2016	Parent Body	18.07 2020
Vacancy Parent Governor		Parent Body	
Mrs K Parkes Staff Governor		Staff Body	
Mrs K Bennett Associate Member*	15.11.2018	Governing Board	14.11.2019

\*Mrs Bennett has voting rights for Committees of which she is a member.

### **Governors who have served in the last 12 months**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Resigned</b>
Mr I Alade	Co-opted Governor	22.05.2018
Mr G Cadwallader	Local Authority Governor	31.08.2018
Mr D Priestley	Headteacher Ex Officio	31.08.2018
Mrs M Carter	Co-opted Governor	31.12.2018
Miss K Round	Parent Governor	18.02.2019
Mrs L Handley	Co-opted Governor	11.05.2019

### **Register of Governors' Business Interests 2018/2019**

Mrs J Price	National Leader of Governance Member of Local Advisory Board at Colley Lane Primary Academy, Cradley Member of the Interim Executive Board of Ham Dingle Primary School, Pedmore Chair of Governors at St Mark's CE Primary School, Pensnett Works as a Clerk to Governing Bodies for Dudley MBC and also carries out Governance consultancy work.
Mrs R Dalgleish	Manager of Private Pre-School rented from Thorns Primary.

## **Governor Committees 2018/2019**

Please note: As of the Summer term 2019, the Strategic and Resources Committees will no longer meet. We will meet as a full Governing Board twice each term.

<b><u>Strategic Committee</u></b>	<b><u>Resources Committee</u></b>	<b><u>Headteacher Appraisal Committee</u></b>
Mrs R Jordan	Miss K Round (Chair)	Mrs J Price (Chair)
Mrs R Dalgleish	Mrs R Jordan	Vacancy
Mrs L Handley	Mrs J Price	Vacancy
Mrs J Price (Chair)	Miss E Homer	
Mrs K Parkes	Miss R Moncrieffe-Simpson (Vice Chair)	<b><u>Pay Committee</u></b>
	Mrs K Parkes	Mrs J Price (Chair)
	Mrs K Bennett (Associate Member with voting rights)	Mrs R Dalgleish
		Miss R Moncrieffe-Simpson

## **Attendance at Meetings**

### **2018/2019**

#### **Summer Term 2019**

<b>Name</b>	<b><u>Meeting Date</u></b>	
	Full GB 14.05.2019	Full GB 24.06.2019
Mrs R Jordan		
Mrs J Price		
Miss R Moncrieffe-Simpson		
Mrs R Dalgleish		
Miss K Round		
Mrs K Parkes		
Mrs K Bennett (Associate)		

#### **Spring Term 2019**

<b>Name</b>	<b><u>Meeting/Date</u></b>			
	Strategic Committee 04.02.2019	Full GB 25.03.2019	Strategic Committee 05.04.2019	Resources Committee 10.04.2019
Mrs R Jordan	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mrs J Price	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mrs L Handley	Y	-	-	-

Miss R Moncrieffe-Simpson	-	Y	-	Y
Mrs R Dalglish	Y	Y	Y	-
Miss K Round	-	-	-	-
Miss E Homer	-	Y	-	X
Mrs K Parkes	Y	Y	X	Y
Mrs K Bennett (Associate)	-	Y	-	X

### **Autumn Term 2018**

Name	Meeting/Date				
	Extraordinary Full GB 24.09.2018	Strategic Committee 27.09.2018	Resources Committee 14.11/2018	Full GB 15.11.2018	Strategic Committee 13.12.2018
Mrs R Jordan	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mrs J Price	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mrs M Carter	X	Y	-	Y	X
Mrs L Handley	Y	X	-	Y	X
Miss R Moncrieffe-Simpson	Y	-	Y	Y	-
Mrs R Dalglish	Y	Y	-	Y	X
Miss K Round	Y	-	Y	Y	-
Miss E Homer	X	-	X	X	-
Mrs K Parkes	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mrs K Bennett (Associate)	Y	-	Y	Y	-

## Summer Term 2018

Name	Meeting/Date						
	Full GB 19.04.2018	Finance & GP Committee 24.04.2018	Strategic Committee 26.04.2018	Full GB 23.05.2018	Strategic Committee 21.06.2018	Finance & GP Committee 05.07.2018	Full GB 16.07.2018
Mr D Priestley	Y	Y	Y	X	Y	Y	Y
Mrs J Price	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mr G Cadwallader	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y
Mrs M Carter	Y	-	Y	Y	Y	-	
Mrs R Dalglish	X	-	Y	X	Y	-	Y
Mr I Alade	Y	Y	-	-	-	-	-
Mrs C Ketley	Y	Y	Y	-	-	-	-
Mrs K Parkes	Y	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Miss K Round	Y	-	-	Y	-	-	X
Miss E Homer	Y	-	-	Y	-	-	X
Mrs K Bennett (Associate)	Y	Y	-	Y	-	Y	Y
Miss J Cowdell- Jones (Associate)	X	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miss R Moncrieffe- Simpson	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y
Mrs L Handley	-	-	-	-	-	-	Y

## Spring Term 2018

Name	Meeting/Date					
	Full GB 18.01.2018	Strategic Committee 25.01.2018	Full GB 31.01.2018	Finance & GP Committee 15.02.2018	Strategic Committee 08.03.2018	Full GB 12.03.18
Mr D Priestley	Y	Y	X	X	Y	Y
Mrs J Price	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mr G Cadwallader	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Mrs M Carter	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Mr I Alade	Y	-	Y	Y	-	Y
Mrs C Ketley	Y	Y	X	Y	Y	Y
Mrs K Parkes	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mrs R Dalgleish	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	X
Miss K Round	X	-	Y	-	-	Y
Miss E Homer	Y	-	X	-	-	Y
Mrs K Bennett (Associate)	Y	-	X	Y	-	Y
Miss J Cowdell- Jones (Associate)	X	-	X	Y	-	X

### **Governor Responsibilities**

Mrs J Price

Child Protection and Safeguarding, Governor Training

Mrs R Dalgleish

Pupil Premium, Early Years, Numeracy

Miss E Homer

Literacy

Miss R Moncrieffe-Simpson

Children Looked After

Mrs K Parkes

PE and Sports Premium

Mrs K Bennett

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