

# 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

DfE (Jan 2017) *Governance Handbook*

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 once each term when we all discuss, question and challenge the leadership of the School. A Strategic Committee meets twice each term where the focus is on raising standards. A Resources Committee meets once a term.

We also attend Governor Days 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

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

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

<b>Name</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Resigned</b>
Mrs C Ketley	Co-opted Governor	25.04.2018
Miss J Cowdell-Jones	Associate Member	
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

### **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

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

## Attendance at Meetings

2018/2019

Spring Term 2019

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	-
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### **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 Dalgleish	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**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Meeting/Date</b>					
	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 Dalglish	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

## Autumn Term 2017

Name	Meeting/Date						
	Finance & GP Committee 11.09.2017	Full GB 17.09.2017	Strategic Committee 28.09.2017	Strategic Committee 02.11.2017	Finance & GP Committee 20.11.2017	Full GB 16.11.2017	Strategic Committee 14.12.2017
Mr D Priestley	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mr G Cadwallader	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mrs J Price	-	-	-	-	-	Y	Y
Mrs M Carter	-	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Mrs R Dagleish	-	Y	Y	Y	-	Y	Y
Mr I Alade	Y	X	-	-	Y	Y	-
Mrs C Ketley	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mrs K Parkes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miss K Round	-	Y	-	-	-	Y	-
Miss E Homer	-	Y	-	-	-	X	-
Mrs V Merrick	-	X	-	-	-		-
Mrs K Bennett (Associate)	-	-	-	-	-	Y	-
Miss J Cowdell-Jones (Associate)	-	Y	-		-	Y	-

## Governor Responsibilities

Mrs J Price  
 Mrs R Dagleish  
 Miss K Round  
 Miss E Homer  
 Mrs L Handley  
 Miss R Moncrieffe-Simpson

Child Protection and Safeguarding  
 Pupil Premium, Early Years, Numeracy  
 SEND/Inclusion  
 Literacy

