



## **Our Governing Body - What does it do?**

All schools in England have a Governing Body which is responsible for overseeing many of the strategic decisions of the school. A key role is to act as a 'critical friend': to support, to challenge, to ask questions, ultimately to represent the school community.

The Governors of Primrose Hill are very active and interested in the life of the school. Through attendance at meetings, scrutinising documents and being involved in school events, they gather knowledge about the school to be able to challenge and support school staff to keep standards high in all areas.

The Governing Body works in close partnership with the Headteacher, staff and the local authority. Whilst the Headteacher is, of course, responsible for the day to day running of the school, the governors are involved with such things as staffing, curriculum, school buildings and finance. It ensures the school functions well and maintains the proper range of academic and social objectives.

## **Who are we?**

In November 2014 the governing body elected to reconstitute under the 2012 School Governance Regulation. This allowed us to change the numbers and types of governors we have and to appoint more people on the basis of the skills they could bring to the governing body

The governing body now consists of:

- The Headteacher
- One elected staff governor
- One appointed local authority governor
- Three elected parent governors
- Six co-opted governors

The standard term of office for a governor is four years. The Chair and Vice-chair are elected annually at the first meeting of the academic year.

The Chair of governors is Mrs Rebecca Baker, who can be contacted by e-mailing or writing to the school or via the school office.