

What is the governing body?

The governing body at Wigginton Primary School is made up of 12 governors.

We have three core responsibilities, all of which contribute to ensuring high standards of achievement for all children. These are:

- Setting the school's vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding the head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

To enable us to fulfil our role effectively, we have regular Full Governing Body meetings throughout the school year. In addition, we have two main sub committees – Finance and Resources and Teaching and Learning. Both committees have clear terms of reference and meet at least three times a year. Governors also regularly visit school which provides us with an opportunity to talk to pupils and staff and to see what happens in school on a day to day basis.

One of the most important documents in any school is the School Improvement Plan: this outlines the school's priorities of the forthcoming year(s). As a governing body, we monitor and evaluate this and contribute to its formulation each year.

All governors undertake regular training too – from induction training for new governors, to Safeguarding and Prevent training and more individual training depending on a governor's needs, experience and skills. We also endeavour to keep up to date with the ever evolving local and national education landscape and with the latest changes in education policy!