St. Walburga's Catholic Primary School

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On behalf of Bishop Philip, Saint Walburga's Catholic Primary School Governing Board are seeking two new foundation governors to support the Board with strategic leadership of the school; accountability and oversight of operational and financial performance; and positive engagement with all stakeholders.

Governors are not involved in the day-to-day running of the school, but support and challenge the school's leadership team to drive school improvement and fulfil the school's vision of a happy, successful, and aspirational community, both today and tomorrow.

Being a school governor is a challenging but ultimately hugely rewarding role. It will provide you with an opportunity to make a difference to our children, giving something back to your community, the Catholic church and developing your skills and utilising your skills at a board-level environment.

Applications should have a passion for education and a commitment to the well-being of our students. The ideal candidate will be:

- Dedicated to promoting the highest educational standards
- Demonstrate excellent teamwork and communication skills
- Possess strategic thinking and problem-solving abilities
- Have a strong desire to contribute positively to our school community

Candidates will also need to be a practising Catholic, as they are the Bishop's representative on the Governing Body.

Previous Governor experience is not essential as support and training is provided, but a background in either finance, education, human resources, public relations or law could and be beneficial (but not essential).

A successful applicant will attend three Board meetings per year and three committee meetings per year (one board and one committee meeting per term). There is sometimes an ad-hoc panel to consider other areas, but this is always on a voluntary role. There is also occasional requirement (if you are available) to visit staff and pupils as well as attending a morning with fellow governors.

We would welcome the opportunity to have an informal discussion with you if you were interested. Please contact the Chair of Governors on m.betts@stwalburgasprimary.co.uk. Otherwise if you would be interested in this role, please contact m.betts@stwalburgasprimary.co.uk before 28 October 2026.

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. The successful candidate will be subject to reference checks and an Enhanced DBS check.