

KENDRICK SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY Role of Parent Governor/Trustee

The Governing Body is responsible for managing the affairs of the Kendrick School, which is a charitable company limited by guarantee, and is responsible for approving the long-term strategy of the school, along with the Headteacher and Senior Leadership team. The day-to-day running of the school is largely delegated to the Headteacher.

As a Governor/Trustee, you will be a director of a company for the purposes of company law; and a charity trustee for the purposes of charity law. As a general principle, you will have a general 'fiduciary duty' to the Governing Body. This means that you have a duty to act honestly, in good faith and in the best interests of the school at all times. You must use the powers granted to you for the purposes for which they were conferred (i.e., to run the school).

As a Parent Governor/Trustee, your role no different from other trustee, but you bring a parental perspective to the issues discussed. However, you are not there to speak 'on behalf' of the parent body

The Kendrick School Governing Body is made up of three committees:

- Learning & Teaching
- Resources
- Performance & Review

The Full Governing Body meets three times a year, one of which is a half or whole day meeting, and each Committee meets 6 times an academic year.

A Parent Governor/Trustee would need to be a member of at least one committee and attend all the Full Governing Body meetings. Meetings are held at 4.30 pm and are either remote or face to face. The meeting dates for 2025-26 can be found on our website via this link, along with more information on the current Governing Body. Before considering becoming a Parent Governor/Trustee, please ensure that you are able to commit to attending the meetings on a regular basis.

For generic information on being a Parent Governor/Trustee please read the information on the National Governance Association website via this link: [The parent governor role | National Governance Association](#)

If you wish to speak to the Chair of Trustees for more information on being a Parent Governor/Trustee at Kendrick School, please email our Governance Officer at LHillan@kendrick.reading.sch.uk.