



## Selattyn C of E Primary School

### Annual Governors Statement to Parents 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

This year has seen major change at Selattyn School. In September we welcomed our new headteacher, Mr Shepherd, and we have been delighted to see how he has settled in. Alongside the governors, staff and children he has introduced our new school mission statement 'Small School, Big Heart' and updated the vision and values which embodies our school.

The children have had many opportunities to enhance their classroom learning, including a residential outdoor education visit for years 4, 5 & 6, a numeracy day at Bangor on Dee races, a trip to the zoo, and taking part in The Big Sing along with many consortium days at both The Marches School and St Martin's. Visitors to the school have given the children many valuable experiences too, including an author to celebrate World Book Day, Virgin Money, and a circus skills workshop.

It has been great to see the children taking part in many sporting activities, including swimming lessons for KS2 children at Moreton Hall School, cross country events, Queensway athletics, St Martins School Sports Festival and our own school sports day.

Parental communication has improved with the introduction of Class Dojo, a communication tool to allow parents/carers to see what children are doing in class and communicate with teachers. Termly parents' evenings have been held and annual reports sent out.

Children were able to celebrate Harvest with a special assembly in school, a coronation party for King Charles was held and our Christmas Carol concert was held at St Mary's Church.

Lots of work has been done to develop our Christian Distinctiveness working with Rev Steve Nicholson and our advisor from Lichfield Diocese, including setting up a Worship Committee. An Eco Committee and School Council have also been introduced all aiming to give the children as many opportunities as possible to take part in a range of different activities and experiences.

Staff have visited local schools, attended cluster meetings and courses with a view to developing our curriculum for the next school year.

The PTA has held several events this year including a Christmas Fayre, disco, Easter Bingo and the Summer Fayre. School is grateful as ever for their support.

Little Badgers (our parent & toddler group) has begun to meet again on a Friday morning.

In January we welcomed our new school administrator, Mrs Samson. She too has settled in very well.

Thank you to Mr Shepherd and all staff for your continued hard work and dedication this year.



## The results from Statutory Tests this year are:

Early Years Foundation Stage Profile 2022		
% Achieving at each level for each Early Learning Goal		
	Emerging	Expected
Communication & Language	7.14	92.86
Personal, Social and Emotional Development		100
Physical Development		100
Literacy	14.29	85.70
Mathematics	21.42	78.57
Understanding the world		100
Expressive Arts and Design		100

Year 2 National Tests					
		Working towards expected	Expected Standard	Greater Depth	% Achieving expected standard or above
Reading	School	21	64	14	78
	National	32	49	19	68
Writing	School	43	57	0	57
	National	40	52	8	60
Mathematics	School	27	64	7	71
	National	29	54	16	70
Science	School	21	79		79
	National	-	-		-

End of Year 6 National Tests					
% of pupils achieving each level					
		Working Towards Expected	Expected Standard	Exceeding Expected Standard	% Achieving expected standard or above
Grammar Punctuation & Spelling	School	11	66	22	88
	National	27	42	30	72
Reading	School	21	44	39	83
	National	27	44	29	73
Maths	School	28	66	6	72
	National	26	47	26	73
Writing (Teacher Assessed)	School	22	66	12	78
	National	29	58	13	71
Science (Teacher Assessed)	School	0	100		100
	National	20	80		80

## Governors

There have been changes to the governing body this year. Our previous chair of governors, Sarah Samson, had to step down from the role in January as she became our new school administrator. Sarah has remained on the governing body and is a great support to me. Lawrence Hobbs, Lee Pimble and Stuart Vasse all resigned as governors due to family circumstances & work commitments. We welcomed Libby Gaskell as a parent governor, Steve Garthwaite as a foundation governor, and Joy Roberts as a co-opted governor. We currently have a vacancy for a co-opted governor.

## What do governors do?

In accordance with the Government's requirement for all governing bodies, the three core strategic functions of Selattyn C of E School Governing Body are:



1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
2. Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

### Governing body make up:

- Headteacher (ex officio)
- 1 staff governor
- 2 parent governors
- 2 foundation governors assigned by Lichfield Diocese
- 4 co-opted governors
- 1 Local authority governor

Governor		Committee	Link subjects
<b>Steve Garthwaite</b>	Foundation governor (Vice chair)	Curriculum	English MFL
<b>Libby Gaskell</b>	Parent governor	Health & safety	Music PE Safeguarding
<b>Nikki Hill</b>	Co-opted governor (Chair)	Finance Curriculum	Maths ICT SEND & Pupil Premium
<b>Mark Jones</b>	Local authority governor	Finance	PSHE School council
<b>Rev Steve Nicholson</b>	Foundation governor	Finance Curriculum Health & safety	History Geography RE
<b>Dave Patch</b>	Staff governor	Curriculum Health & safety	
<b>Emily Phelan</b>	Parent governor	Curriculum	Art DT
<b>Joy Roberts</b>	Co-opted governor	Curriculum	Early Years
<b>Sarah Samson</b>	Co-opted governor	Finance Curriculum Health & safety	Health & safety
<b>Ross Shepherd</b>	Headteacher (Ex officio)	Finance Curriculum Health & safety	
<b>Vacancy</b>	Co-opted governor		Science Forest school

### Committees

The governing body meet in full once every term. We have 3 sub committees which meet once or twice a term as required, with a focus on specific areas.

These are:

- Finance and general personnel



- Standards and curriculum
- Premises, security and Health & safety

Head teachers performance management meets once a year

The following committees meet if required:

- Pupil discipline committee
- Complaints
- Appeals
- Staff discipline/dismissal
- Staff discipline/dismissal appeals

### Targets for this year

This year our school focus has been on:

- EYFS – to enhance the outdoor learning environment to help maximise the progress all children make with their learning.
- To focus on developing pupils ability to be able to recall mental maths skills rapidly and apply them across the curriculum.
- To improve inference and deduction skills through the development of guided reading throughout the school.
- To nurture and develop the Christian distinctiveness of the whole school family.
- To update the curriculum and further develop assessment tracking procedures across the school.

### Finance

The governors have managed the budget this year and we are currently running without a deficit. We have committed to upgrade the IT provision for the school and await new devices ready for use in September.

### Safeguarding

There have been no safeguarding incidents this year. Mr Shepherd & Mrs Hill are the designated safeguarding leads for the school.

I would like to take the opportunity to wish a fond farewell to those students moving on and wish them and their families every success for the next stage of their journey.

Finally, we hope you all have an enjoyable summer break and look forward to welcoming all back in September.

Best wishes

Nikki Hill, Chair of Governors