

Dear Parents/Carers,

As chair of the school governors, I would like to welcome you and your child to St Michael's. Our Governing Body is made up of sixteen governors who bring a variety of business, professional and community backgrounds to ensure that the school continues to deliver the best educational and learning environment possible. To that end, we are made up of Parent, Staff, Foundation, and Community Governors.

We aim to be an approachable group and part of our effectiveness depends on maintaining strong links with parents, community, church and parish so we encourage your interaction with us and the school.

The governing board plans the strategic direction of our school, makes sure our money is effectively spent, and holds the school leadership to account where necessary. We do this through reviewing the continuing progress of the school (using a variety of performance measurement tools), maintaining financial stability and considering longer term developments.

I am pleased to say I take great pride in being involved in the governance of St Michael's, as do all of our governing team, and we wish your child a happy and successful time with us.

Best Wishes,

Nigel Payne

**Chair of Governors** 

