

## St Bede's Catholic Primary School

Love one another as I have loved you

## **GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER**

## St. Bede's Governing Body

Welcome back to the second half of the winter term. Last week, the school celebrated Mass on the 1st of November on All Saints Day.

At Mass, Mary presented Catherine Campbell with a Diocisan Medal for her service on the St Bede's board of Governors. Catherine was on the board for 27 years and has seen a number of head teachers and changes to the school, not least, the expansion of the school to 2 form entry, the building of the Early Years and Year Six blocks as well as a number of other improvements to the school. All the governors thank her for her service to the school.





We would also like to welcome Fr John Lee, Corinne Mirailles and Liz Flaherty as new appointees to the St Bede's Board of Governors. We would like to take this opportunity to show who the governors are and what they do. The Governing body consists of 10 members, whose diverse backgrounds range from Education to IT and Marketing. The Governing Body's mission is to support the Headteacher and senior leaders in promoting high standards of education, welfare and spiritual well-being of all our pupils. We act as a critical friend to challenge decision making and to help set the direction of the school.

The Governors are involved in the strategic direction of the school; approval of policies; approval of the school budget; safeguarding, oversight of health and safety and in promoting the catholic ethos of the school. The Governors meet on a regular basis as a whole governing body and we have two committees which focus on Curriculum, Catholicity and Communication (CCC) and on Resources.

Governors are volunteers, we benefit from training from Hampshire County Council to help us to be an effective board of governors. We're not the only volunteers, the SBFA volunteers work hard to raise money to help the school pay for nice to have things that benefit the children in the school. The Drop Off is manned by volunteers, we have people who listen to children read and also help to support after school clubs. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our volunteers.

The school website has more information about the governors and also all approved policies and other general information about the school and what the children learn each term.

## **Our Governors**



Mary Kucharska Chair



**Danny Sullivan** 



Iulia Radu



**Caroline Hartgill** 



Felix Obadaki



Maria Alexandra Nunes Costa Vice-Chair



Fr John Lee



**Liz Flaherty** 



**Steve Lake** 



**Corinne Guehenneux**