

GOVERNORS

NEWSLETTER



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MEET THE GOVERNORS



COLETTE LIGHTHILL, ASSOCIATE MEMBER

I've been working in Nursery Nursing for over 30 years. Throughout my career, I've had the privilege of supporting children and families in nurseries, schools, and the community through health visiting. Helping children feel safe, supported, and happy has always been at the heart of what I do.

At St Mary Magdalene Catholic Primary School, I'm the Family Support Worker, offering both practical help and emotional care to children and their families. Whether it's short-term guidance or ongoing support, I'm here to listen and assist. I'm the Youth Mental Health First Aider, Designated Safeguarding Lead, and Mental Health Lead for the school. My passion is ensuring that every child feels valued, supported, and ready to thrive.

My goal is to make life a little easier for families and to be a friendly, reassuring presence for children facing challenges. Outside of work, I'm a busy mum to a Year 6 daughter and an even busier pet owner—I have three dogs and a cat who keep me on my toes!

I'm always here if you need a chat or some support—I look forward to getting to know you and your children!

GOVERNOR ENGAGEMENT

The Advent term ended with joy and celebration, as the school provided children with fun and reflective events leading up to Christmas. Pupils enjoyed many spiritual opportunities, including a wonderful Advent assembly, led by the liturgy leaders, which explored the significance of the Advent wreath. The much-anticipated annual pantomime was a resounding success, and pupils shone in their year-group concerts, showcasing their talents and enthusiasm for the festive season.

As we welcomed the new year, the Governing Board convened for its annual training day and review, focusing on school finances, SEN provision, and the new RE curriculum. This session also provided an opportunity to review, discuss, and align on the school's strategic plan for the next 3–5 years, ensuring a unified vision for continued growth and excellence.

The Governing Board remains committed to enhancing its effectiveness through ongoing training. Actively engaged in school life, members have participated in curriculum walks and visits. Looking ahead, they are excited to attend the Year 3/4 Easter Spectacular and continue supporting the school community.

REFLECTION

During Lent, the school will take part in "The Big Lent Walk", raising funds to support communities in need. We encourage everyone to support this wonderful initiative.

We invite you to join us in praying for the Pope's swift recovery, asking for strength, healing, and God's guidance during this time.

YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU

We need a PTA to support and fundraise for the school.
If interested in setting this up, please contact the office.

To learn more about the school or join our school community, don't hesitate to get in touch with the school office.

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