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education across Essex and East London*

With Governance Consultant
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Church
School governance is about



Accountability

is at the heart of biblical practice
is a means by which we serve rightly
is a way of ensuring fruitfulness



GOVERNANCE

BE PREPARED



MONITORING

PREVIOUS
OFSTED REPORT



SIAMS REPORT



HEADTEACHERS
REPORTS



OTHER PROFESSIONAL
REPORTS



FINANCE
REPORTS



LA & DIOCESE ADVISORS
REPORTS



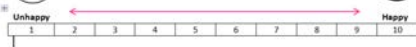
DATA REPORTS



GOVERNOR VISIT
REPORTS



Grade the level of scrutiny these reports are
given in your governance board meetings



GOVERNANCE



How are we
doing?

Where are
we?

What is our
plan?

What are
our priorities?

"Governors who devote too much time and attention to the marginal issues (like the school uniform, dinner menu or the peeling paintwork in the main hall) instead of focusing on the core issues that really matter – the quality of teaching, the progress and achievement of pupils and the underlying school culture"

(Wishaw, Ofsted: 2015)



Pragmatic Governance



Not all about Covid restrictions. Can be about learning from the past.

Is this meeting, visit, monitoring absolutely necessary?

Can this meeting, visit be effectively carried out virtually?

Could a greater diversity of participation be possible online?

What will the outcome be? Is this repeating an exercise? Have we already held to account?

Is there already a relationship? Are you seeking additional facts? Will it help with wellbeing?

Might more people attend? Can you engage people who cannot make an in-person meeting?



GOVERNANCE SUPPORT - FOCUS?



Environmental sustainability in schools and trusts: join the Greener Governance pledge



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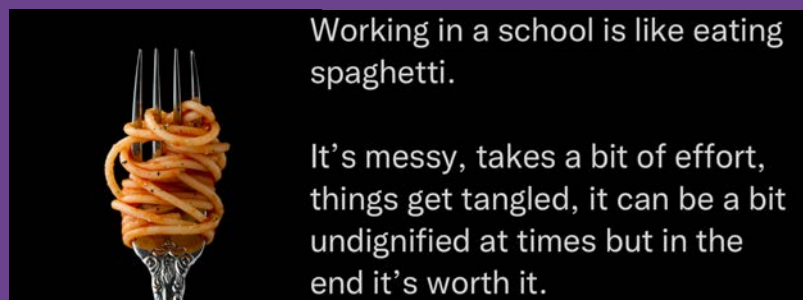
DEVELOPING PRIORITIES GOVERNANCE BOARDS



CHURCH OF ENGLAND - SAFEGUARDING TRAINING



Support for governing boards available



Governance chat
4 February 2022, 12:15pm

SIAMS - a priority for
Governance Boards
7 February 2022, 4pm - 6pm

Governance questioning
17 March 2022, 6pm

Headteacher
recruitment
28 March 2022, 4pm

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