

The governing board of Whitburn Village Primary School has met its three core functions as outlined in the Governance Handbook, namely

- Ensuring the clarity, vision, ethos and strategic direction,
- Holding executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

The key focus for the governing board in the last year has been to continue securing a stable leadership structure to ensure that there is a drive of rapid improvement following the Ofsted inspection in November 2017.

The staffing structure has been strengthened by the appointment of Head of School and an appointment of an experienced Y1 teacher,

The strong partnership with Marine Park Primary school has been further developed. The hard federation of Blue Skies officially commenced on 1.9.19 and the newly formed joint governing body will meet in September.

Governors have continued to develop positive relationships with parents and the wider school community.

The budget for the school is closely monitored by the governing board to ensure value for money.

The governing board have given consideration to their own professional development by commissioning an external review of their performance. The resulting action plan will help focus the work of the governing board and increase the knowledge and skills of all governors.