



## St. Anne's C.E. (VC) Primary School

### **"Together with God, Making Learning a Life Long Friend"**

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### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **CHRISTIAN DISTINCTIVENESS COMMITTEE**

***"Start children off on the way they should go and even when they are old they will not turn from it" Proverbs 22:6***

The Christian Distinctiveness committee consists of governors, including members of the local church, who support us to shape the Christian character of St Anne's C.E. Primary School.

At St Anne's CE Primary School we seek to be a community where all are welcome and encouraged to take their place, regardless of our differences. We encourage hard work and perseverance and we expect everyone to strive to do their very best for themselves and for each other. Our entire community is made strong through collaboration: learning from one another, supporting one another and challenging one another.

We want our lives to be crafted by God and the way we work together which is shown through our vision:

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#### **Christian Distinctiveness Committee**

The committee shall consist of all foundation governors, and any other governor who wishes to become a member of this committee. The Headteacher, Christian Distinctiveness Lead, R.E. co-ordinator are members of the committee.

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Non-voting participants may be invited to meetings by the committee as and when required.

### **Members:**

Chair: Mrs Alex Wolvers

Clerk: Minutes will be clerked by the HT

Mr E. Hobson (head teacher), Alex Wolvers (Foundation Governor and Connect 2 Church lead), Mrs. R. Barnett (RE Lead) Mr. A. Hields (Foundation Governor), Miss A. Rosson (Christian Distinctiveness Lead), Mrs J. Woodward (Foundation Governor)

### **Responsibilities:**

The main function of the committee is to support, advise and challenge the Headteacher and the Governing Body on matters relating to the Christian distinctiveness and effectiveness of St. Anne's School as a church school and the impact which this has on the pupils and whole school community - in particular:

1. to work alongside the Headteacher, staff and parents to review the effectiveness of the vision, ethos and aims of the school;
2. to promote the relationship between the school and the church, St. Anne's, including the development of joint projects between school & church;
3. to support the contribution of the school towards local, national and global communities;
4. to evaluate the impact of worship and the effectiveness of religious education on the school community, including the impact of Christian values within the curriculum and the wider life of the school;
5. to impart and promote Christian leadership in all teachers, in order to support the provision for the future leadership of church schools;
6. to appraise the way in which the Christian character of the school is monitored and evaluated in terms of its impact on pupils, staff, parents and the wider community;
7. to make recommendations to the Governing Body on relevant policy matters, by ensuring that policies have Christian values underpinning them, where appropriate;
8. to support the Headteacher with the self-review documents and preparation for the Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS);
9. to look at the faith perspective of SMSC (Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development) within the OFSTED framework;
10. to promote equality and diversity

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