



INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT

1. The name of the school is Seal Church of England (Voluntary Controlled) Primary School.
2. The school is a Voluntary Controlled school.
3. The name of the Governing Body is "The governing body of Seal Church of England (Voluntary Controlled) Primary School".
4. The Governing Body shall consist of:
 - 4 Parent Governors
 - 1 Local Authority Governor
 - 1 Staff Governor
 - 1 Headteacher
 - 4 Foundation Governors
 - 5 Co-opted Governors
5. Total number of Governors is 16.
6. The term of office for all Governors is 4 years.
7. The following are the foundation bodies, and if applicable, persons entitled to appoint foundation governors:
 - One appointed by the Parochial Parish Council of the Parish of St Peter and St Paul, Seal
 - One appointed by the Bishop of Rochester.
 - One appointed by the Rochester Diocesan Board of Education.
8. (a) The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex-officio:
 - The Principal Officiating Minister of the Parish of St Peter and St Paul, Seal.
- (b) The Archdeacon of Tonbridge shall be entitled to appoint a foundation governor to act in the place of the ex-officio foundation governor whose governorship derives from the office named in (a) above, in the event that that ex officio foundation governor is unable or unwilling to act as a foundation governor, or there is a vacancy in the office by virtue of which the governorship exists, or has been removed from office under regulation 23 (2) of the Regulations.

9. The Archdeacon is entitled to request the removal of any ex-officio foundation governor and to appoint any substitute governor.
10. A Trust Deed exists.
11. Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop its religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at parish and diocesan level.

The school aims to serve its community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith, and promotes Christian values through the experience it offers to all its pupils.

12. This Instrument of Government comes into effect on 01 February 2015.
13. This Instrument was made by order of Kent County Council as the Local Authority on 06 January 2015.
14. A copy of the Instrument must be supplied to every member of the Governing Body (and the Headteacher if not a Governor), any trustees and to the appropriate religious body.

Signed: Chair of Governors

Kim Silver
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Print name

KIM SILVER.
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Signed: Kent County Council
Senior Improvement Advisor
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