**The Royal School Governors Impact Statement 2013/14**

As a Governing Body our main aim is that every child in our care is given the very best possible start to their education. We appreciate that for this to happen the pupils must be supported by well led, enthusiastic, professionally competent and motivated staff all working together within a safe, supportive, ambitious yet fun environment.

Our children’s parents and carers need to be satisfied with the overall leadership and management of the school and how it affects the safety, learning and enjoyment of their children.

As Custodians of the school’s Vision Statement ‘FAMILY’ the governors endeavour to promote the ethos and Christian principles of the school by way of meetings and visits into the school observing the working day.

The Governing Body works as a team with individual governors contributing their personal expertise, skills and commitment to sub-committees, training and school participation. Statutory Policies, Government Legislation, Diocesan and Local Authority direction is reviewed and adopted where appropriate. We strategically challenge and support where necessary.

The Financial Management of the school is closely monitored at termly financial meetings. In the past governors have also been responsible for sourcing external funding for development projects within the school. The development within the school for the 2013/14 year has been

* A beautifully refurbished and well stocked Library, which will help to encourage our pupils to share in the love of books.
* The Wrens (Foundation/Year1) and Robins’ (Years 1 &2) classrooms have been redecorated and new flooring laid. The Robins’ classroom has also benefited from new furniture and equipment in line with Ofsted requirements
* During the Easter break our large playground area was resurfaced and sports markings put in place.
* The employment of a part-time caretaker.

Governor input and review of the School Development Plan is paramount to ensure that the children and staff have the very best opportunities and tools to fulfil their full potential.

Vivien Benn – Chairman of Governors September 2014