

## Governor Training Spring 2024

REF NO	TITLE	DATE	FROM	TO
23/10	Creating a culture of Challenge with the Head Teacher and Senior Leadership Team	12/01/2024	10:00	12:00
<p><b>Course Description:</b> The Governing Board has three key core functions one of which is holding the Head Teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff.</p> <p>This course aims to provide governors with practical ideas and examples' illustrating what is meant by 'holding to account', and how to provide effective challenge whilst maintaining a positive relationship with the Head Teacher and all school staff.</p> <p>Participants will be provided with an opportunity to explore and consider aspects of effective governance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Time to be clear about understanding your role and responsibilities as a governor</li> <li>• How to use effective questions and other strategies to explore accountability</li> <li>• Opportunity to reflect on current practice</li> </ul> <p><b>Trainer:</b> Vincent Hampton, Derby City Council Professional Advocate for Children in Education (PACE) <b>Cost:</b> DCC Governor Support Package Schools - £40 each or PAYG - £55 each</p>				
23/55	<b>NEW</b> - Refresher for Governors	17/01/24	18:00	20:00
<p><b>Course Description</b> The session aims to provide an overview of governance for newer and more established governors covering a range of topics including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purpose and definitions – why governance matters</li> <li>• Role of governors in effective governance, types of governors</li> <li>• Governance structures; committees, working parties and panels</li> <li>• Key documents to support governance practice</li> <li>• Governor workload</li> </ul> <p><b>Trainer:</b> Fee Stagg, Independent Governance Professional and Former National Leader of Governance <b>Cost:</b> DCC Governor Support Package Schools - £40 each or PAYG - £55 each</p>				
23/56	<b>NEW</b> - Understanding the Ofsted Handbook in 2023/24	23/01/24	18:30	20:30
<p><b>Course Description:</b> The purpose of the session is to enable participants to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gain an insight into how Ofsted inspectors will use evidence in order to make judgements on Quality of Education, Behaviour and Attitudes, Personal Development and Leadership and Management</li> <li>• Learn about the difference between graded and ungraded inspections</li> <li>• Start to consider what this will mean for governors and senior leaders</li> </ul> <p><b>Trainer:</b> Jo Ward, Independent Education Consultant <b>Cost:</b> DCC Governor Support Package Schools - £40 each or PAYG - £55 each</p>				
23/08	Corporate Parenting and the roles of the Designated Governor and Teacher for Children in Care	24/01/2024	10:00	12:00
<p><b>Course Description:</b> The purpose of the session is to enable governors to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand the law, policy and practical responsibilities related to the role of Governors as a Corporate Parent</li> <li>• Enable governors to meet their responsibilities as a Corporate Parent</li> <li>• Understand the roles and responsibilities of the Designated Governor and Designated Teacher for Children in Care</li> </ul>				



- To consider the auditing, monitoring and reporting of the progress of Children in Care cohort to Governors

Please bring, if you can, a copy of the Designated Teacher Guidebook to this session. This can be obtained from your school's Designated Teacher.

**Trainer:** Sarah Parkman, Specialist Education Officer, DCC Virtual School for CiC

**Cost:** DCC Governor Support Package Schools - £40 each or PAYG - £55 each

23/29	New Governor Induction - Daytime	31/01/2024	10:00	13:30
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**Course Description:**

The Governing Body Roles and Responsibilities. By the end of the course participants will have:

- Developed a better understanding on the governing boards three core responsibilities
- Develop a better understanding of the governing boards practical application of its roles and responsibilities
- Clarified the importance of an effective working relationship between Head Teachers/Principals and governors

**Trainer:** Brian Richards, Independent Trainer

**Cost:** DCC Governor Support Package Schools - two free places then £55 each (*DDAT Academies – one free place then £55 each*) or PAYG - £80 each

23/03	Chairs Briefing	07/02/2024	18:00	20:00
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**Meeting Description:**

The purpose of the meeting is to enable Chairs of Governors to:

- Receive local and national updates on School Governance
- Have the chance to network with other Derby City Chairs
- Share good practice
- Have the opportunity to meet and question LA staff

Sharon Buckby, the new Director of Learning and Skills, will be in attendance at this meeting. Agenda to be finalised.

**Cost:** There is no charge for this meeting for any school/number of governors.

23/38	Role of the SEN Governor	08/02/2024	18:00	20:00
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**Course Description:**

The purpose of the session is to enable governors to:

- Have an overview of the management of Special Educational Needs in schools
- Understand SEND Support and the graduated response to supporting children with SEND
- Highlight the statutory processes for assessment for SEN
- Understand the role of the SEND Governor

**Trainer:** Shaheen Parekh, Derby City Council Professional Advocate for Children in Education (PACE)

**Cost:** DCC Governor Support Package Schools - £40 each or PAYG - £55 each

23/40	Safeguarding for Governors	08/02/2024	10:00	12:00
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**Course Description:**

The purpose of the session is to enable governors to:

- Understand their legal duty to ensure that all the functions of the educational establishment are carried out with a view to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all pupils
- Understand the role of the Designated Safeguarding Lead in schools (DSL) and the link governor
- Understand the Inspection of Safeguarding arrangements for schools.

**Trainer:** Heather Hogg, DDAT Safeguarding Lead

**Cost:** DCC Governor Support Package Schools - £40 each or PAYG - £55 each



23/06	Clerk to Governors Networking Session	13/02/2024	10:00	11:30
<p><b>Meeting Description:</b>  The purpose of the meeting is to enable Clerks to Governors to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receive local and national updates on School Governance</li> <li>• Share good practice</li> <li>• Have the chance to network with other Derby City Clerks</li> </ul> <p>Agenda to be finalised.</p> <p><b>Facilitator:</b> Jayne Hadfield, Derby City Council Governor Support Manager  <b>Cost:</b> DCC Governor Support Package or Clerks Helpline Package Schools - FREE or PAYG - £22 each</p>				
23/32	New Governor Induction - Evening	15/02/2024	18:00	21:00
<p><b>Course Description:</b>  The Governing Body Roles and Responsibilities. By the end of the course participants will have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed a better understanding on the governing boards three core responsibilities</li> <li>• Develop a better understanding of the governing boards practical application of its roles and responsibilities</li> <li>• Clarified the importance of an effective working relationship between Head Teachers/Principals and governors</li> </ul> <p><b>Trainer:</b> Brian Richards, Independent Trainer  <b>Cost:</b> DCC Governor Support Package Schools - two free places then £55 each (<i>DDAT Academies – one free place then £55 each</i>) or PAYG - £80 each</p>				
23/45	Governing Body Self-Review Strategy – How well are we doing?	06/03/2024	10:00	12:30
<p><b>Course Description:</b>  The purpose of the session is to provide governors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With an opportunity to become familiar with the "twenty questions governors should ask" self-review strategy</li> <li>• With ways to use existing school-based support tools to measure how well the governing board is doing</li> <li>• With the confidence to challenge and question its own practice</li> <li>• With an opportunity to consider appropriate actions to decide when and how improvements can be made</li> <li>• With ways to support the governing board to prepare for an Ofsted inspection</li> </ul> <p><b>Trainer:</b> Brian Richards, Independent Trainer  <b>Cost:</b> DCC Governor Support Package Schools - £40 each or PAYG - £55 each</p>				

The Annual Governor & Clerks Training programme for 24/25 will be published in March 2024.

To book places on any course please email [governortraining@derby.gov.uk](mailto:governortraining@derby.gov.uk) or book via GovernorHub.

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