## OAKLANDS CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE SEEKS FOUNDATION GOVERNORS TO JOIN THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY

We currently have vacancies for two Foundation Governors on our Governing Body.

The Governors of Oaklands Catholic School work as a team, in close co-operation with the Head Teacher and all staff.

Foundation Governors share the responsibilities of all governors; ensuring the clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction; holding the Head Teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; the performance management of staff; overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

Additionally, Foundation Governors specifically ensure that the religious character of the school is preserved; that the school is conducted in accordance with its trust deed; that the religious education curriculum is in accordance with the Bishop's policy for the Diocese.

We believe that all pupils and members of staff should have the opportunity to fulfil their potential whatever their background, identity and circumstances. We are committed to creating a community that recognises and celebrates difference within a culture of respect and co-operation.

We appreciate that a culture which promotes equality will create a positive environment and a shared sense of belonging for all who work, learn and use the services of our school.

We recognise that equality will only be achieved by the whole school community working together – our pupils, staff, governors and parents/carers.

We know that there are members of the whole Oaklands Catholic community who will be prepared to join us in this important function and give their time to help us continue improving the school's performance and the lived and educational experience of all our pupils.

Oaklands would benefit from people with experience in project management, HR & people management; accountancy / financial management, marketing and logistics. But fundamentally we are looking for an enthusiasm to do right by the school; the staff and our pupils.

No previous 'board' or governance experience is necessary; there is an induction programme, a wide range of additional training and mentoring for new (and existing) governors.

Incidentally, there are some great benefits in terms of personal development and experience in an important and dynamic field.

If you are a practising Catholic who is ready and willing to take on a challenge please contact the Clerk to the Governors to ask any questions and/or register your interest: C.Colley@oaklandscatholicschool.org

