

# Bridge School Malvern



## Instrument of Government

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| <b>Approved by:</b> | Bridge School Malvern<br>Governing Body | <b>Reviewed Date:</b><br>October 2024 |
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| <b>Next review due by:</b> | March 2029 |
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1. The name of the school is Bridge School Malvern
2. The school is an Independent Special School, charity and limited company.
3. This Instrument is subject to the Constitution of the Charity.
4. The name of the governing body is 'The Governing Body of Bridge School Malvern'
5. The Governing Body shall consist of:
  - a. All the trustees of the charity.
  - b. Other governors appointed by the governing body who are not trustees of the charity.
  - c. One headteacher
6. The maximum number of governors is 13 and the minimum is four.
7. A quorum is two thirds of governors.
8. The CEO and the Clerk shall attend all meetings of the Governing Body.
9. We actively seek to appoint governors with skills and experience in the following settings: education, school governance, business, finance, safeguarding, law, special educational needs, human resources.
10. There is an expectation that governors will be in sympathy with the Statement of Belief on page 2, and that there shall always be a majority of governors who have a proactive Christian faith.
11. The term of office for all governors shall be between 1 year and 4 years as determined by the appointing body at the time of appointment and notified to the clerk. This will need to dovetail with the terms of office of the trustees, as specified in the charity constitution.
12. The term of office for the role of Chair and Vice Chair shall be two or three years as determined by the Governing at the time of appointment and notified to the clerk.
13. The Governing Body may establish such sub-committees as it deems necessary to carry out its duties. Every such sub-committee must include at least two governors who are also a trustee of the charity
14. This Instrument of government comes into effect on 23rd March 2022
15. This instrument was made by order of the Governing Body on 23rd March 2022 and updated 14th May 2024

### Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed and approved by the full Governing Body every five years.



## **Statement of Belief**

The founders of Bridge School Malvern set the school up as a response to their Christian faith and values. These Christian values are important to us. They are the motivation for valuing every child and adult, inspiring us to strive our hardest for the best outcomes for each individual. These values underpin all we do at the school and provide an environment and culture where young people can grow in confidence and happiness.

We believe that all young people are unique and of value. We want to help them to recognise their gifts and talents and help support them to develop the character and skills which will enable them to develop their unique role in the world. We want our pupils to embrace the future with hope, faith, confidence and compassion.

We want young people to have the opportunity to be able to find out about Christianity within the context of finding out about other faiths and no faith beliefs; and to be free to explore their own position on these.

The Governing Body of Bridge School Malvern.