

**INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT OF VOLUNTARY AIDED SCHOOLS  
MADE BY DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL  
UNDER SCHOOL GOVERNANCE (CONSTITUTION) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012**

“St Nicholas Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School, Child Okeford was founded in 1846. According to our Trust Deed the school came into being “for the education of poor persons, and the school must be a member of the National Society for the education of the Poor in the principles of the Established Church”

1. The name of the school is St Nicholas Church Of England Voluntary Aided Primary School, Child Okeford.
2. The school is a voluntary aided school.
3. The name of the governing body is “The governing body of St Nicholas Church Of England Voluntary Aided Primary School, Child Okeford.”
4. The governing body shall consist of:
  - (a) 1 Head Teacher
  - (b) 1 staff governor
  - (c) 1 Local Authority governor
  - (d) 2 parent governors
  - (e) 7 foundation governors
5. Total number of governors: 12
6. Foundation governors are appointed by the Salisbury Diocesan Board of Education in consultation with the Parochial Church Council of the parishes or ecclesiastical district in the area served by the school.
7. (a) The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex-officio:

the principal officiating minister of the parish or ecclesiastical district in which the school is situated.

(b) The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry in which the school is situated shall 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 the ex-officio foundation governor is unable or unwilling to act as a foundation governor, or has been removed from office under regulation 23(2) of the Regulations.
8. The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry in which the school is situated is entitled to request the removal of any ex-officio foundation governor and to appoint any substitute governor.
9. The school has a trust.

10. Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop its religious character in accordance with the principles of 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.

11. This instrument of government comes into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014.
12. This instrument was made by order of Dorset Local Education Authority.

THE COMMON SEAL of the  
DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL  
was affixed hereto in the  
presence of:-