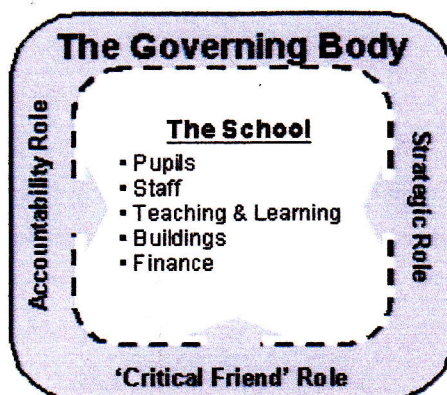


Why do schools have governing bodies?

To help schools provide the best possible education for their pupils by:

- thinking and working strategically to help raise standards;
- monitoring and evaluating progress towards the school's priorities and targets;
- supporting the head and staff as well as challenging their expectations;
- accounting to all stakeholders for the school's overall performance for the decisions they have made.



What does the governing body do?

- Works closely with the head teacher.
- Makes decisions collectively as a team.
- Often delegates decision making to committees or to the head teacher.
- Conducts much of its business through meetings.

