Since Weston Mill Community Primary Academy, Oakwood Primary Academy and Beechwood Primary Academy converted to academy status in 2016, and became part of Discovery Multi Academy Trust, we have adopted a new form of governance across the MAT.

We now have a central Local Advisory Board (LAB) that operates across all three of our academies, allowing the LAB to have greater scope for comparison, challenge and enabling effective sharing of good practice. The LAB will review and monitor all aspects of teaching and learning in our academies, to ensure the best outcomes for all our children. The Board of Trustees will have a more strategic overview of the organisation and a whole.

Each LAB member has a designated area of responsibility for the academic year. Some of these areas include: Safeguarding, Maths, Attendance, Behaviour, Parents, Pupil Premium and Early Years. The work of the LAB will involve working closely with the Trust's staff, making regular visits to the academies and reporting to the Board of Trustees on a regular basis.

Although our LAB members are not representative of any particular group, we have indicated below where they have a direct link with the Trust. LAB membership is currently as follows:

CHAIR: Jill Callicott
VICE CHAIR: Carol Lant
Kay Wilkins (staff/parent)
Lisa Darcy (parent)
Julie Collier (staff/parent)
Alison Buckle
Laura George (parent)
Esther Tucker (parent/community)
Marta Czelny (parent)
Michelle Hobbs (parent)
Matt Geoffrey (parent)
Sharyn Seaman (staff)

Link-Board Member: Hannah Randall (no voting rights)

If you would like to contact the LAB, please do so through the Clerk, Karen Headridge: clerktogovs@discoverymat.co.uk