

GOVERNING BODY OF NUNTHORPE SCHOOL

Policy Statement on Best Value

Nunthorpe School ensures best value in the following ways:-

- The School Development Plan identifies whole school and departmental targets.
- These targets are developmental and linked to School improvement. Finance for such developments is additional to the Maintenance Budget.
- The planning exercise takes place in accordance with the published schedules.
- Progress against targets and the Finance Plan are both reviewed annually.
- The performance of individual Subject Departments are reviewed during Faculty Reviews.
- Other performance indicators which ensure best value include End of Key Stage Results.
- The mechanism to consult stakeholders is the termly newsletter. The newsletter gives parents opportunities to express their views on a range of issues e.g. the home-school agreement, school uniform, policy changes etc. In addition, questionnaires are issued annually to groups of parents in respect of the service provided by the school.
- With regard to securing efficient and effective services the school ensures that prices for jobs from a variety of firms are compared, costs of goods are compared when ordering and the best value service is always taken.
- The LEA auditor scrutinises our financial arrangements on a regular basis and recommendations are implemented.
- The Governors Finance and Staffing Committee meets half termly to monitor the budget. Minutes of these meetings are available.
- The school has adopted the recommendations of the Audit commission document "Keeping your Balance". One of the key principles in that document is best value.