**GOVERNING COUNCIL**
Responsibilities are outlined in both the Education Regulations and Constitution. Up to 14 members: 12 parents elected for two year terms, Principal and staff rep. Oversees and initiates school activities. Legally recognised school body. Forum for receiving and deciding upon sub-committee proposals. Meetings are held on the third Monday of the month. Minutes available upon request. Makes decisions for the benefit of the school.

**PRINCIPAL**
Responsible to Director General of Education and the Governing Council for the Management of the school. Consults with parents, staff and students when inclusive decisions are required. Is a member or has a delegate on all committees.

**STAFF**
The staff is responsible for the delivery of the curriculum and general school running. They are the main avenue of contact for parents at the school with regard to student and class related issues. They meet once per week to discuss issues and pursue training. Decisions are made by consensus. The staff report to parents on a regular basis. The staff have one representative on Governing Council. They make decisions related to the day to day running of the school, and in relation to student learning.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**
Includes 2 reps from Governing Council and Parent Club, the finance officer and the Principal. Meets once a term or as needed to review progress of finances and make alterations depending upon needs. Manages financial operations and makes recommendations to the Governing Council. Sets budget for Governing Council approval.

**KIDSMATTER ACTION TEAM**
Includes 2 reps each from Parents, Staff and Students and the Principal. Meets as needed. Oversees the development of the Kidsmatter framework, the Social and Emotional Learning Curriculum and the Promotion of the Mental Health for Students and Families.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL**
A Student Council is elected from student nominees. Office Bearers hold their position all year, with each committee being elected for 6 months. The number and makeup is dependent upon student numbers but is normally 12 students. They meet fortnightly and report to Parent Club and provide a written report to Governing Council. Issues are generated and discussed at classroom level. The SRC makes decisions related to student welfare.

**GROUNDs COMMITTEE**
Includes 2 reps from Governing Council and Parent Club and the Principal. Meets once a term or as required. Oversees grounds development and the Asset Management Plan. Organises working bees. Makes grounds recommendations for Governing Council approval.

**PARENT COMMITTEE/ PARENT CLUB**
Members come from the parent body. This committee has reps on all committees. They meet at a mutually convenient time. The role supports the running of the school through Fundraising, Tuck days, school photography, uniform issues, PIE Grant applications and school concert organisation. The Principal and SRC report to this meeting. Parent Club makes recommendations to the Governing Council.

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**MIDNORTH CLARE PARTNERSHIP**
This group is made up of staff from the following sites: Blyth, Spalding, Koolunga, Farrell Flat, Snowtown, Clare, Auburn, Watervale and Brinkworth Primary Schools, Brinkworth Preschool, Clare Valley Children’s Centre, Snowtown Kindergarten and Clare High School. This group meets twice per term and coordinates activities to meet its vision of Creating a community of powerful learners, equipped and inspired to be the best they can be. Decisions are by consensus (majority vote if needed) and the Partnership is central to the new structures developed by DECD to improve student learning outcomes.

**GROUPS INVOLVED IN DECISION MAKING AT BLYTH PRIMARY SCHOOL.**