

September 2019

School Governing Body - Parent Governor election

Dear Parents,

As a result of Clair McNeill's resignation as a parent governor from the Governing Body, **there is now a vacancy for Parent Governor. The term of office is four years.**

The Governing Body plays a significant part in the development and running of the school and have three core strategic functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

Our full governing body usually meets four times a year, with various committee meetings throughout each term. As well as these, many governors support the monitoring of the work of the school through regular visits either with the leadership team or other members of staff. Termly open mornings also support the Governing Body in independently monitoring the work of the school. Induction and training will be available for new governors and there is an expectation that some basic training will be attended by a new governor.

The positions are open to all parents or carers who have a child registered at the school this year. If you have any queries, our current parent governor, Paul Lewis, will be happy to talk to you. The role of Parent Governor is not to represent the view of parents but to work as part of the strategic leadership team of the school. (You may not nominate yourself if you are an elected member of the Local Authority or paid to work in the school for more than 500 hours in any twelve month period).

If you would like to join us, or want to nominate someone, please write to me by **9.00 a.m. on Friday, 20th September**, stating briefly (no more than 200 words) what you could bring to the governing body. This may be published to parents if there is more than one nomination and an election will be held shortly afterwards, in order that the new governors can join the next meeting this autumn. If there is one nomination, this person will automatically be elected.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

Anna Moss, Head Teacher



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