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Friday 21st April, 2023

Dear Parents

An exciting opportunity has arisen for a parent to join our Governing Board. The Governing Board is a group of people, made up of parents, staff and members of the local community, who support the Headteacher in running the School. They meet regularly to discuss children's progress, acting as "critical friends" to the Headteacher in order to improve the school's performance. They also help the Headteacher to manage the school's budget, by ensuring that money is spent on improving outcomes for our pupils. Being a parent governor means allowing the voice of parents to be heard. Our Governing Board meets once per term, at 3:45pm, and meetings can last 2 hours. We also hold two further meetings a term, that you are more than welcome to attend, to discuss specific topics such as curriculum, finance and site matters.

Please rest assured that governors do not need to be experts in the field of education. What they do need is to be passionate about our school and the wellbeing of our children, as well as being able to have the time to get involved. The skills you have can be very useful to the Governing Body. We would also hope that the diversity of our governing body reflects the makeup of our school community.

Our Governing Body would want parent governors:

- to attend at least 1 termly meeting of the Governing Body (there are 3 in total);
- visit the school for monitoring purposes twice a year;
- attend short training sessions paid for by the school;
- be enthusiastic about our wonderful school and the education and well-being of all our pupils.

In return, our Governing Body will commit to:

- provide you with a structured induction;
- provide access to quality training;
- provide you with an experienced governor as a mentor.

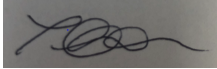
If you would like more information about how you can contribute to the governance of our school, please contact the school. If you would like to nominate yourself to be a parent governor, please complete the attached sheet and have your nomination seconded by a parent of a pupil at the school. If the school receives more than two nominations, then a ballot will be held.



And finally, please do not be nervous about applying. Once you have attended your first meeting, you will see that our governors are a friendly group of people who simply have our pupils' best interests at heart and want to see our school flourish and grow.

The closing date for nominations is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 12 noon.

Kind Regards,



Miss Challenor

Headteacher

