



7th October 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

I am writing to invite you to stand for election as a parent governor or nominate another parent to do so. In our school we have provision for two parent governor(s) and there are currently two vacancies.

The governing body with the headteacher, has considerable responsibility for the school. Governing bodies 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 of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

Any parent (or carer) with a child on register at the school, including the nursery, is eligible to become a parent governor. It is most important that parents are fully represented and I therefore ask that you give careful consideration to either putting your own name forward as a candidate or to nominating another parent as a candidate, if they are willing to be nominated.

No special qualifications are needed, and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the governing body's work. Training is available for all governors and this governing body has an expectation that those new to being a governor attend induction training.

A person cannot serve as a Governor if they are the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or has been removed from the office of trustee for a charity. In addition, parents/carers who have paid employment in the school for 500 or more hours per academic year or who are elected members of the Local Authority are not eligible to stand in these elections.

If you would like to stand for election, please complete the enclosed nomination form and return it to the school no later than 23rd October. You may also include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words. Self-nominations will be accepted, but if you are nominating another parent please seek their prior consent.

If we receive more than two nominations, a ballot will be held so that all parents can choose who will represent them on the governing body.

If there are more nominations than vacancies the election will be by secret ballot. If that is necessary, voting papers will be sent to tall parents together with details of the ballot procedure.

Yours sincerely
Deborah Tynan – Clerk to the Governors

Election of Parent Governors - Nomination Form

Please enter IN BLOCK LETTERS the name and address of the person being nominated for election:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature of person nominated: _____

Signature of proposer (if different to nominee): _____

Name and address in BLOCK LETTERS of proposer (if different to nominee):

Personal Statement (maximum 250 words)

Please say why you are interested in being a parent governor:

Please give a brief outline of your interests and experiences (this could include work, voluntary activities, hobbies, family, community involvement) and detail any of the desired skills that you may have:

Signed: _____

Date: _____

PLEASE NOTE

There are 2 vacancies for parent governors. You may make up to 2 nominations. If you wish, you may nominate yourself by putting your own name in the space above.
All nominations must be received in the school office by 3.30pm on Friday 23rd October.