

ASH GREEN COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

I am writing to you 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 governors and there is currently one vacancy.

The governing board, with the headteacher, has overall responsibility for the running of the school. Governing boards 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;
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

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 board's work. Training is available for all governors and this governing board has an expectation that those new to being a governor, attend free induction training.

Statement from outgoing Parent Governor – Mr Colin Reeves

"For any parent/carer out there, if you have a passion for Mixenden, believe strongly in education for children then this is the role for you, try it and with the support you will receive you will enjoy the experience."

The enclosed sheet summarises the circumstances under which someone cannot serve as a governor. 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. Nominations must be from parents or carers with children at the school on the day that nominations close.

If you would like to stand for election please complete the enclosed nomination form and return it to the school **no later than Friday 9 March 2018, 9 a.m.** 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 there are more nominations than vacancies, the election will be by secret ballot. If that is necessary, voting papers will be sent to all parents together with details of the ballot procedure.

Yours faithfully

Returning Officer
K Lovelady, Clerk to Governors

