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Dear Parents and Carers

We are writing to you today to invite you to consider an exciting opportunity that has arisen to become more involved in our school community by joining our Local Governing Board, due to two Parent Governor vacancy now being available.

What is a Parent Governor?

Parent Governors are elected by other parents and carers of children at the school. They play a crucial role in shaping the strategic direction of the school, working alongside the Executive Principal and Head of School along with other governors to ensure the best possible education and outcomes for all our pupils.

What does the role involve?

As a Parent Governor, you would contribute to discussions and decision-making on key areas such as:

- Setting the school's vision and strategic direction
- Monitoring the school's progress and performance
- Ensuring financial resources are used effectively
- Staff recruitment and overseeing their performance
- Representing the views of parents

What skills are needed to be a Governor?

While there are no specific qualifications required, the following skills and attributes are helpful for a governor:

- **A passion for education** and a commitment to improving the school.
- **Good communication skills** and the ability to listen to and understand different perspectives.
- **The ability to work well in a team** and build positive relationships.
- **Critical thinking skills** to analyse information and make informed decisions.
- **A willingness to learn** and develop new skills.
- **The ability to act with integrity** and maintain confidentiality.

We welcome applications from parents with diverse backgrounds and experiences. Whatever your skills and experience, we will provide the necessary training and support to help you be an effective governor.

What are the Rewards and Highlights?

Being a Parent Governor is a truly rewarding experience. It offers you the chance to:

- **Make a real difference:** Contribute to the success of our school and directly improve the lives of our children.
Your unique perspective as a parent/carer is invaluable!
- **Gain new skills:** Develop your confidence, communication, and teamwork abilities. This is a great opportunity to learn new things and build on your existing strengths.
- **Work with a dedicated team:** Collaborate with other passionate individuals who are committed to the school's success. You'll become part of a supportive and friendly team.
- **Have a voice:** Represent the parent community and ensure their perspectives are heard. Your voice matters!
- **Learn about education:** Gain a deeper understanding of how schools operate and the challenges and opportunities they face.
- **Personal satisfaction:** Experience the fulfilment of knowing you are making a positive impact on the school community. There's nothing quite like knowing you've helped make our school a better place.

We understand that you may have busy lives, but the time commitment is manageable, typically involving one meeting per half term, along with some additional reading and occasional visits into School. We provide full support and training to help you settle into the role,

Here's what our governors say about their experience...

"Being a parent governor gives me valuable insight into the challenges and opportunities in education, and I find it hugely rewarding to play a part in shaping a positive school culture"

"I became a governor to make a meaningful difference, offering my skills and perspective to help shape a healthy learning environment, providing the best possible education for its students."

"I believe that strong governance plays a crucial role in creating an environment where every child can succeed."

If you are passionate about our school and want to play a vital part in its future, we encourage you to apply for this fulfilling role.

For more information along with details of how to apply, please contact Victoria Brewster, Trust Governance Professional by emailing v.brewster@elp.org.uk. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards



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