Woodland Primary School

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Dear Parent/Guardian



Election of Parent Governor

Our governing body currently has a vacancy for a Parent Governor. As the parent or guardian of a pupil currently on roll, you are eligible to apply for the role.

Every school has a local governing body, and it must include parents elected by other parents of children at the school. Governors have an important role to play in helping to ensure schools provide quality education for their pupils, working in partnership.

The role of a Parent Governor is a vital one, offering you the opportunity to contribute to the strategic direction of the school, ensure accountability, and support the school in delivering the best possible education for our children. As a Parent Governor, you will:

- Represent the views of parents and the community.
- Help shape the school's policies and priorities.
- Work collaboratively with other governors and the school leadership team.
- Attend regular meetings and participate in training and development opportunities.

We are looking for enthusiastic and committed parents who are passionate about education and the future of our school. No prior experience is necessary, as full training and support will be provided.

If you are interested in applying, please pop into the school office for an application form and return it by Friday 9th May. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

M. Rodson

Mrs Dodson

Headteacher















Most frequently asked questions by parents:

HOW OFTEN WILL I HAVE TO ATTEND MEETINGS?

The local governing body meets at least three times per year. In addition, some have committees that meet to consider specific issues.

HOW LONG IS MY TERM IN OFFICE?

You would normally serve for a period of four years from the time you are elected. This means that even if your child leaves the school, you can still remain a governor. You can also leave at any point.

WHAT OUALIFICATIONS/EXPERIENCE DO I NEED?

No formal qualifications are required, but you will need experience of working as part of a team, have common sense, tact, some spare time and a keen interest in education. You will learn a lot and develop new skills.

WHAT WILL I BE EXPECTED TO DO?

You will need to work closely with others, ask questions, gather views and decide together what is in the school's best interest. It will also help you in your role as governor to visit the school occasionally.

WHAT WILL I GET OUT OF IT?

Being a parent governor will take up some of your time, but it can also be very rewarding. As a parent governor you can gain a real insight into the workings of the life of the school. You can influence change and help your school meet the needs of its pupils.

WHAT HELP WILL I RECEIVE?

You will be invited to a "Welcome" event for new governors and a full training programme is offered free. Training is essential if you want to become an effective member of your governing body.

HOW DO I APPLY TO BECOME A PARENT GOVERNOR?

Please complete the <u>Nomination Form</u> available from the school office and return it by **Friday 9**th **May 2025.**