



Isebrook Local Governing Body Parent Governor

Dear Parents/Carers

Have you thought about becoming a Parent Governor?

Becoming a parent governor offers you the opportunity to make a real contribution to the life and work of our school. School governors play a key role in the leadership of the school and work together with staff to make sure that our school provides a challenging and supportive environment for its pupils.

There are currently two vacancies for parent governors on the Local Governing Board and I am writing to encourage you to put your name forward. Being a governor can be very rewarding and will provide you with the opportunity to meet new people and gain new skills. The Governing Body work together as a group and meet six times a year. Do not worry if you have no experience in education matters as full training and support will be available

Who can be a Parent Governor?

All parents and carers of registered pupils are eligible to become parent governors. Every parent, whether or not you live with the pupil, is entitled to be nominated as a parent governor and to vote in a parent governor election. Someone who has parental responsibility or day-to-day care of a pupil is also eligible to serve and to vote.

Parents from ethnic minorities and with disabilities are generally under represented on school governing bodies in the county. The school would like to encourage nominations from under represented groups in our community.

How long do Parent Governors serve for?

The usual term of office is four years from the date of appointment. If you choose to, you can complete your term office even if your child has since left the school.

How are Parent Governors nominated and elected?

If you would like to put your name forward, please complete and return the attached nomination form. The closing date for the receipt of nominations is **Monday 25th February 2019**. All nominations should be sent to the school f.a.o The Company Secretary.

If more than one nomination is received, an election will be held and ballot papers will be sent to all parents. Each parent will have one vote per vacancy regardless of the number of children you have in the school. The ballot is secret; you will be able to send or post the ballot papers back in a sealed envelope, or drop it into the ballot box inside the school office.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

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Andrew Bailey
Chair of Governors

DEFINITION OF A PARENT

'Parent' is defined for the purposes of the Constitution Regulations as including 'any individual who has or has had parental responsibility for, or cares or has cared for, a child or young person under the age of 18. It includes a person who the child lives with and who looks after the child, irrespective of what their relationship is with the child. The reference in the definition must be someone involved in the full-time care of the child on a settle basis.