



## **Brickhouse Primary School WANTED – A PARENT GOVERNOR**

We are seeking a person who fits the following description

- Currently has a child or children at Brickhouse Primary School
- Has an open and enquiring mind
- Shows a willingness to listen and make informed judgements
- Is able to work well with others
- Is interested in education generally and our school in particular
- Has a desire to play a part in improving our school
- Is willing to give about 20 hours per term to attend meetings and training

If you match the above description, you could be the very person to become a parent governor.

## **REWARD**

In return we can offer:

- An insight into the wider perspective of the school through long-term planning
- A chance to develop skills in strategic management
- The opportunity to work with our team of governors and staff in improving our school
- Training to develop an understanding of specific management issues
- The support and assistance of local staff
- A sense of achievement in making a difference to our children
- The pleasure of seeing children learning and succeeding

The governing board of our school is responsible for:

- Ensuring the vision and objectives set by the school are delivered and reporting back to them on progress periodically.
- Ensuring that students receive high quality education and that the conduct of the school reflects this aim
- Working with the Headteacher on strategic planning and management
- Discussing and approving the targets for improvement
- Setting and monitoring the budget
- Ensuring staffing matters are dealt with effectively
- Monitoring the performance of the school
- Reporting to the parents and the community on how we have accomplished our tasks

## **GOVERNORS LINK COMMUNITIES AND SCHOOLS**

Governors are the link between the school and the community and representatives of all those with an interest in the well-being and reputation of the school.

We are all volunteers working in our own time, and we are all busy people. However, we feel that we gain much in personal development as well as a feeling of satisfaction that we have played an important part in improving education in the local community. There are opportunities to work with others on all aspects of strategic planning and management including financial oversight and personnel issues. Although we deal with the school finances, we employ staff to do the actual work on our behalf, just as we take an interest in the teaching but employ teachers to actually teach the students.

## **TEAM WORKING**

We work together as a team. Sometimes the whole governing board is involved and sometimes we work in smaller committees or working groups. This gives us the chance to develop specific interests of our own as well as for the benefit of the whole governing board. Those of us who are not currently employed outside our homes, find that being a governor provides an opportunity to get together with other adults who we may never have met in other circumstances, work as team members in a worthwhile cause and develop skills and expertise that we weren't certain we had before joining the governing board!

Please return nomination form to become a parent governor to:

Mr. P. Newby, Headteacher, Brickhouse Primary School by: **12:00 Noon on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024, in a sealed envelope.**

## **DIFFERENT PEOPLE**

The governing board seeks individuals from as many different backgrounds as possible in order to fully reflect the community the School serves. Everyone has something to offer. Specific training (free) is available to develop an understanding of finance and budgeting, strategic planning, and personnel issues and there are staff who can support and advise individuals and the governing board in their responsibilities.

## **REPRESENTING PARENTS**

As a parent governor you would be a representative of the parents, but you would not be mandated to vote on their behalf. It may be useful to get the general feelings from parents on various issues from time to time, but in seeking to fill the post of parent governor, the governing board are looking for someone who will help them see the school from the widest possible viewpoint. Parents are vital to the work of the governing board. As a parent governor you will be a governor in your own right with the same responsibilities as everyone else to work together as part of the governing board for the good of the school.

## **MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

Governors can make a real difference to the performance of the school and have a real part to play in its success. If you are interested in joining us to help improve education for the children in our school, please return the nomination form attached by **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024** to receive an application form.



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## Parent Governor Nomination Form

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Children in year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Pen Portrait (maximum 100 words) \*

I wish to serve as a Parent Governor and to be a candidate if an election is necessary. I have read the rules regarding the eligibility to become a governor which I received with the nomination form and I confirm that I am eligible to serve as a School Governor.

Signed:

Date:

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\* If you wish you can include a few details about yourself and why you would like to become a governor (not exceeding 100 words). This will then be circulated to all parents to help them decided who to vote for if an election is required. You do not have to complete this section, but if you don't you may put yourself at a disadvantage if there is an election.