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Dear Parents & Carers,

25th March 2025

Invitation to stand for Parent Governor election

The role of a school governor is extremely important and many essential decisions about this school are taken by our Governing Board. School governors work together with the school leadership team to continually improve the education for every child at our school. Our school governors have 3 core functions. They:

1. Ensure the clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction of the school;
2. Hold the head teacher to account for the educational performance of our school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff; and
3. Oversee the financial performance of our school and make sure its money is well spent.

There is now a vacancy for one parent governor. This vacancy is required to be filled by an election. You are invited to stand for election as a parent governor.

Schools have governors from all walks of life, from different ethnic groups and all age groups over 18 years old. Very few people cannot be governors. On the declaration of eligibility form is a list of statements which would also prevent someone from being a school governor if they apply. The appointment is subject to a satisfactory enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

If you would like to stand for election as a parent governor, or if you would like to nominate someone else, please complete the relevant section on the nomination form enclosed. If you wish to nominate someone else you will need first to check that they have a child at this school and that they are willing to be a school governor.

Nomination forms, personal statement and declarations must reach the school office by 4pm on **Friday 25th April**. Any nominations received after this date and time will not be considered. If we receive more than one nomination, Paul Garratty will arrange a ballot.

Yours sincerely

Trevor Meadowcroft
Chair of Governors

