



St Bridget's C of E Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

I am writing to you to invite you to stand for election as a parent governor, or to nominate another parent to do so. We are a Church of England controlled school with provision for six parent governors and there is currently **one** vacancy.

The governing body work with together with the Headteacher to help plan the strategic development of our school. Governing bodies uphold the schools values and ethos and have the following core strategic functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

Parents with all types of experiences or qualifications are welcome to apply for the position, the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the governing body's work. Training is available for all governors and this governing body has an expectation that those new to being a governor attend free induction training and ongoing training whilst with the governing body.

An additional sheet summarises the circumstances under which someone cannot serve as a governor. In addition, parents/carers who have paid employment in the school for 500 or more hours per academic year or who are elected members of the Local Authority are not eligible to stand in these elections. Nominations must be from parents or carers with children at the school on the day that nominations close.

If you would like to stand for election please submit your application by; 3.30pm Friday 19th January 2018. You may also include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words. Self-nominations are accepted, if you are nominating another parent please seek their prior consent.

If there are more nominations than vacancies the election will be by secret ballot. If that is necessary, voting papers will be sent to all parents together with details of the ballot procedure.

Yours faithfully

Neil Le Feuvre
Headteacher