

September 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

We have two vacancies on our governing body. The first is for a parent governor which we need to fill as soon as possible. Parent governors are elected by and from the parents of children currently attending our school. The second is for a co-opted governor. Co-opted governors are recruited directly by the governing body in order to fill gaps identified by skills audits within the current governors. They both serve a four-year term of office and bring a very important and valued perspective to the work of the governing body.

You might like to look at the information for prospective governors on the Worcestershire County Council website:

[http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20062/schools/135/school\\_governors](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20062/schools/135/school_governors).

Further information on the role can also be obtained at:

<https://www.bewdley.worcs.sch.uk/key-information/governing-body/>.

The governing body has a vital role to play in making sure every child receives the best possible education. This is achieved by ensuring that governors have the necessary skills and commitment to contribute to the effective governance and success of the school. The particular skills that governing bodies need will vary and will include personal qualities and capabilities, such as the capacity and willingness to learn and work as part of a team. It is expected that governors will make use of the various training opportunities available to them and play a full part in the work of the governing body.

If you are interested in becoming either a parent or co-opted governor, contact the school office with your nomination (self-nomination is acceptable), which will need to be with the school by 12.00 noon on Monday 14 October 2019.

In the case of parent governors, if there are more nominations than vacancies, a ballot will be held and you will be sent a voting paper.

If you are interested in recruitment as a co-opted governor, please provide a brief pen portrait of your background and skills, and how you feel you might be able to contribute to school governance. Note that co-opted governor roles are open to anyone within the community and not only parents at the school. The governing body will consider all applications and will invite some or all potential candidates for a discussion about the role. All who express an interest will be notified in writing of the outcome of their interest in the role.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher



Derek Haskins  
Chair of Governor