



LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Putting children first. Progress through partnership"

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Dear Parents

Lionel Walden Primary School Election of Parent Governors

The governing body of Lionel Walden School has a vacancy for a parent governor. We are writing to you to ask if you would be interested in becoming a school governor.

Governors are responsible for ensuring the strategic direction of the school, its performance and the use of resources to support learning. They help to ensure that our school provides the best education it can for children, parents and our local community. Our parent governors are very valuable members of the governing body, and we rely on them to help us to give a parent's view. They are on the governing body as representative parents, but they are not delegates and other parents cannot mandate them on how they should vote. Governors do not need to be experts to tackle the range of responsibilities expected of them. Help, advice and training are available from various sources. If you are interested in being part of the team and have time to commit to this role, we would like you to consider becoming a parent governor.

Anyone who has parental responsibility for a pupil on the school roll at the time of the election can self-nominate, stand for election and can vote in the election. A parent who works for the school for 500 hours or more or a parent who is an elected member of the local authority (County Councillor) is not eligible to stand for election, but they are permitted to vote. If insufficient parents stand for election the governing body can appoint nominated parents to the governing body. The term of office would be for four years and meetings of the full Governing Board take place usually twice a term with sub-committees meeting termly to discuss various aspects of the strategic development of the school.

All nominations should be sent into the school office by 12 noon on Monday 23rd January. We also need candidates to provide a written statement (200-300 words) outlining why they would like to be a governor, and what knowledge/skills/experience they can bring to the governing body.

We will inform parents about the details of parent governor nominations. If an election is necessary, we will send ballot forms home with the children with the names of the candidates and their details

If anyone would like further information or would like to speak with one of our Governors to find out more about the work of the Governing Body, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Abey or myself.

Kind regards,

Jo Dale

Chair of Governors





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Election for a Parent Governor for Lionel Walden Primary School

Parent's Name: _____

Child(ren)'s name(s) and Year groups: _____

I am willing and eligible to stand for election as a parent governor at Lionel Walden Primary School.

Please explain in no more than 300 words why you wish to become a School Governor and what skills you can bring to the Governing Body.

Please use another sheet if necessary

Signed:

Date: