

# FARINGDON INFANT SCHOOL

*'Future of Faringdon, including All, Supporting Everyone to Grow'*

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Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

## GOVERNOR VACANCY

We currently have one Parent Governor vacancy and must hold an election. As many of you may already know, the governing body has an extremely important role; it is responsible for working strategically in partnership with the Headteacher and staff to identify the most important aspects of the school that need to be improved, approving plans to achieve this and ensuring progress. Governors individually have no power but when governors act collectively as a corporate team they are very powerful, as a corporate body not as individuals. All governors receive training to help them carry out their role. Faringdon Learning Trust runs special induction courses for new governors and we expect all our governors to attend this training.

Parents or anyone who has parental responsibility for a pupil on the school roll at the time of the election can stand for election. You can nominate someone for election and can vote in the election. Attached is a factsheet about becoming a governor.

Parent governors, like all governors, will be most effective if they bring relevant skills and experience, as well as the ability to work as part of a team.

All nominations should be sent in to the school office by **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021**. You can nominate yourself. Every nomination must be signed by the candidate, stating that they are willing to stand. On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May we will send out the ballot forms with the names of the candidates and their details, as well as information about how to vote so please watch out for the letter.

Please think about taking on the role, or suggesting someone who will do it well. We need committed parent governors to make the governing body as effective as it can be.

Yours faithfully,

Sally Robins and Pauline Forbes  
Headteacher and Chair of Governors