

Woodcote Primary School – Community Governor Vacancy

Woodcote Primary School are looking for an enthusiastic and committed individual to join our governing body as a Community Governor.

The governing board of our school is made up of parent, staff and co-opted governors. The Board operates at a strategic level and is not involved in the day-to-day running of the school. Governing bodies have a strong focus on three core strategic functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and direction;
- Holding the headteacher and senior leaders 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.

Although governors are volunteers excellent support and development opportunities are provided through an induction process and full programme of training both face-to-face and online to suit individual needs.

We don't expect you to be an expert in education and welcome governors from all walks of life to bring different perspectives and views. In fact the strength of a governing body lies in its ability to attract and rely upon members from a wide variety of backgrounds. You just need to be committed to supporting our school community and the educational outcomes of our pupils.

We are however particularly interested in hearing from anyone with an interest, skills, experience or understanding in any of the following areas:

- Local community/business links
- Media/Marketing/Communications
- Experience of procurement/purchasing

However, the need for other skills to complement and enhance those of the existing Governing Body emerge from time to time, and expressions of interest are more generally invited as we will hold details on file in the event that further vacancies arise.

Being a school governor is a very interesting and rewarding role in which you make a vital contribution to the success of the school and its pupils and have the opportunity to give something back to the community.

Governors will need to be available to:

- attend 3 full governing body meetings over the year;
- be a member of a committee which typically meets 3-6 times a year;
- visit the school (on a rotation basis) to see the day to day running of the school.

If you are interested in learning more or know someone in our community who would be interested, please contact the Chair of Governors, Helen Pearce Harvey, on <u>chairofgovernors@woodcote.oxon.sch.uk</u> for more information.

Deadline: Monday 20th September 2021