**Governor Vacancy – January 2017**

Ad you will be aware from previous updates, the governing body has recently changed. There is now one position for a parent governor, which is an elected role. The position is not to just act as a parent representative to the governing body, but to be a member just like all the others, playing an active part in school leadership and assurance.

The current parent governor is Michelle Cundle. She has been a governor for a few years now and has brought her professional experience in to that role. She has developed the Teaching & Learning subcommittee, as well as ensuring the school uses clear objective data better as a marker of progress for all our children. I know all the governing body and the professional leadership are very grateful for Michelle’s help and leadership and she will be missed by the team. In January, we will be opening up for nominations and elections for a new parent governor. We can also co-opt additional people to the governing body should it be the best way to secure the skills required. In order to ensure the Governing body and school leadership is as effective as possible, we are asking for interested parents to nominate themselves only if they have the skills we require.

We are particularly interested in people with the following capabilities:-

1) Teaching & Learning – A sound understanding of school governance. A good understanding of the process of teaching and the types of data used to measure its effectiveness. The ability to critically appraise information and offer robust challenge in a supportive manner. Strong leadership skillset that would ideally see the person being able to potentially lead some of the assurance of Teaching & Learning.

2) Finance and resource management – The campus is now quite complicated with several organisations on it. The expectations of the governing body in assuring sound financial management are quite high. The skills required would be those of basic accounting and budgeting. The specifics of school finances can be learned, but you will need to be comfortable with a set of accounts and understand how to appraise the information in management accounts.

If you think you have the skills and time to support us and would like to discuss the potential roles further, feel free to contact me through the school office. Nominations forms will be available for both elected and potentially co-opted roles in due course.

Kind regards

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Chair Of Governors
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