# **Become a Parent Governor**

#### What is a Parent Governor?

Parent governors are a core part of a school's Board of Governors. The role is voluntary and will appeal to parents who want to make a positive impact on their child's education and school life.

Parent Governors bring knowledge, and experience, and support the SLT (Senior Leadership Team) in strategic decision-making.



## Can I do it?

### What would it involve?

Being a governor is a "hands-off" role – decisions made by the governors influence the whole school but Governors are not involved in the day-to-day running of the school.

## Governors set the vision of the school and oversee its performance.

You would be expected to attend **ONE** meeting each half-term, occasionally be invited to school events and will be expected to take an active role in all other school governor activities.

## How to apply.

### We currently have 1 vacancy

If you are interested, please complete a nomination paper from Reception and return to the school office by Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022

If more parents apply for the role of Parent Governor than there are vacancies, a ballot will be held. If this happens, ballot papers will be sent to all parents on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2022, the ballot will close on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022 with the winners announced the same day.

### Do I need special skills?

Parent governors do **NOT** need to be experts in education, that's not what we are looking for.

At the moment we are looking for people particularly with knowledge of **Finance**, **GDPR**, **Data** and **Personnel** (**HR**).

Governors are given all the training that they need to be effective in their role.



## What will I gain?

### What skills will I learn?

Not only will your efforts as a governor strategically support the school, but you will also benefit from personal and professional development.

It's an exciting opportunity to learn new skills, contribute to the community and make a difference to our children's lives.

## **Questions?**

If you have any questions or would like a chat about becoming a parent governor please contact Vincent Sherard-Bornsin on vbornshin@wharton.cheshire.sch.uk

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### **Wharton Church of England Primary School**

### **PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION**

#### **NOMINATION PAPER**

Please return to school no later than **Tuesday 18th October 2022** 

1. The Candidate
SURNAME FIRST NAME
Preferred title (Mr Mrs Ms etc)
ADDRESS
TELEPHONE NUMBER(S) Home
Names and Ages of children in school
2. AGREEMENT TO NOMINATION
I confirm (i) that I am willing to stand as a candidate for election as a parent governor and (ii) that I am not disqualified from holding office for any of the reasons set out in the School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012.
Signature Date
3. ELECTION STATEMENT
In the case of an election taking place, you are required to submit a written statement (in no more than 250 words) in support of your nomination. This will be sent to parents with the ballot paper. Please include your statement here

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