

East Hunsbury Primary School

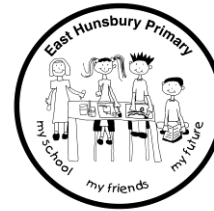
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24th February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Nominations for Parent Governors

There is a vacancy for a parent governor to serve on the school's local governing body. We are keen to encourage parents and carers of registered pupils to nominate themselves or others to become part of our local governing body. Parent governors are elected by other parents and are a vital part of the governing body.

The local governing body carries out its role by helping to set the vision for the school and then ensuring that the school works efficiently and effectively towards achieving this vision by building a thorough knowledge of the school and local community, supporting and constructively challenging the school, and ensuring accountability and compliance.

Whilst experience of matters relating to education is useful, you do not have to be an expert on education to be a school governor. However, you will be asked to demonstrate skills and experience that will enhance governance of the school, a commitment to undertake training and a willingness to engage in the life of the school. You will need to set aside time to be able to be an effective governor: time to prepare for meetings, visit the school and undertake training.

Before you decide to nominate someone, or indeed stand yourself, you may want to know a bit more about what is involved. Currently, the governing body is particularly interested in recruiting Governors who have expertise in financial and commercial oversight and/or Health and Safety experience. But more important are the personal skills and commitment set out below.

Governors need an ability to be able to build relationships with a range of people, to work as part of a team, to be able to question, and to make connections between different types of information. If you join our local governing body, you will serve for a four-year term and you can continue to the end of the four years even if your child leaves the school in the meantime.

Parent governors are expected to:

- attend six meetings of the full governing body in a year
- visit the school formally for monitoring purposes at least three times a year. This usually takes place on a Friday morning.
- commit to attend training courses.

Headteacher: Mrs K Pennington



In return, our governing body commits to:

- provide you with a structured induction
- provide access to quality training
- provide you with an experienced governor as mentor.

If you would like to find out more about being a governor at our school, please email your contact details to [Joanne Long](#) and they will be passed on to Louise Whaites, Chair of Governors, who is more than happy to have a conversation with you and answer any questions you may have.

If you would like to stand for election as a parent governor, please complete the [Parent Governor Nomination/Declaration of Eligibility form](#) online by **9am on Monday 10th March 2025**. If you wish to nominate another parent, please obtain their permission first.

If there are more nominations than vacancies, there will be an election by secret ballot. If that is necessary, voting papers will be sent to all parents together with details of the ballot procedure.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

Kathryn Pennington
Headteacher

Louise Whaites
Chair of Governors