

13th September 2024

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

The Local Governing Board is responsible for both the conduct of the school and for promoting high standards. The Governing Board carries out its role by ensuring the vision and ethos is established and that the school works efficiently and effectively. It does this by building a thorough knowledge of the school and its community, by both supporting and constructively challenging the school, and ensuring compliance. The Local Governing Board of our school is made up of various categories of Governors who all work together in the interest of children at the School and are accountable to the Trust Board.

A vacancy has arisen for a **Parent Governor**. Before deciding whether to nominate yourself, you may want to know a bit more about what is involved. Governors need not be experts in the field of education. What they do need is an interest in the school and in the welfare of our children as well as the time and willingness to get involved.

No previous Governing experience is required as you will receive free training supplemented by support from others on the Governing Board. It would be beneficial if you have experience of working on a committee. You need the ability to be able to work as part of a team, to question proposals and contribute to discussions so that the Board can make good decisions. All Governors are expected to be able to read straightforward budget reports and data on school standards.

We expect Governors to:

- attend meetings of the Local Governing Board and Committees
- visit the school formally at least once a year
- attend school events when possible to support the work of the school and improve your knowledge and understanding of the school
- attend training courses and be ready to be interviewed by Ofsted inspectors when necessary

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In return, we commit to

- provide access to quality training
- provide you with access to our on-line Governor Hub portal giving easy access to documents, agendas and information to support you in your role

If you would like to find out more about our current Governors and the work of the Board please contact our Chair of Governors @roger.anthony@wernethschool.com or take a look at the information for prospective Governors on www.inspiringgovernance.org or via our Clerking Service www.trustgs.co.uk

Please note that for the protection of children all governor appointments are subject to a DBS check and identity check.

If you would like to put yourself forward as a candidate, please complete and return the attached documents to me by **Friday 27th September 2024**. These may be emailed to admin@wernethschool.com or posted directly to school. Your nomination should be accompanied by a short personal statement which should include (in no more than 250 words please):

- evidence of the extent to which you possess the skills and experience the Local Governing Board desires;
- your commitment to undertake training to acquire or develop the skills to be an effective Governor;
- if seeking re-election, details of your contribution to the work of the Local Governing Board during your previous term of office; and
- how you plan to contribute to the future work of the Governing Board.

If it is necessary for there to be an election, I will contact you to let you know about the arrangements.

Yours sincerely,



David Goddard
Head teacher



Roger Anthony
Chair of Governors

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NOMINATION FORM – PARENT GOVERNOR

A Parent Governor is defined as a person who is elected as a member of the Governing Board of the school, by parents of registered pupils at the school, and who is a parent at the time s/he is elected. "Parent" includes any individual who has or has had parental responsibility for, or cares or has cared for, a child or young person under the age of 19 who attends the school.

A person is disqualified from standing for election or appointment as a Parent Governor if s/he is:

- An elected member of the local education authority; or
- Paid to work at the school for more than 500 hours in any consecutive 12 month period (at the time of the election or appointment); or
- Subject to any of the disqualifications under The School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012 Schedule 4

Name:

Name of Child at School (and Year Group):

Address:

Telephone Number:

Email address:

- I agree to nomination as a Parent Governor. I have read the requirements of the role and confirm I am eligible.
- I attach my personal statement and understand that this will be communicated to all parents if an election is necessary.

Personal statement (attached no more than 250 words)

Signed:

Dated: