## RECRUITING FOR PARENT GOVERNORS

We are hoping to recruit new Parent Governors. The role of Parent Governor does not require any special skills, just a wish to work with the school to provide a happy, safe and forward-looking place for our Children to be the best they can be.

Academy Councils are a small friendly group of people who want to work for the children. Parent governors are a core part of a school's Academy Council. The role is voluntary and will appeal to parents who want to make a positive impact on their child's education and school life. The outcome is indirect, since the governor role has little interaction with the pupils or with daily school life but is much more "behind the scenes". Although we do make classroom visits and attend events.

The school's Academy Councils typically consists of:

- 3 Sponsor Governors (up to 6)
- 2 Parent Governors

The Principal

- I -Staff Teacher governors
- I Staff Support Staff Governors

Before you decide to nominate someone, or indeed stand 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. Now the governing body is looking for governors who have children at the school who would like to give a little time to the children and the school. Governors need what is known as 'soft skills' – the ability to be able to build relationships with a range of people, to be able to work as part of a team and to be able to question.

Our governing body expects governors to;

- attend termly meetings of the full governing body, which is three per year and a couple of regional meeting.
- visit the school on classroom visits (a couple a year), learning walks to look at the work the children are doing and for special occasions (like Curriculum Awards).
- visit the school informally as and when to look round.

If you would like to find out more about how you can contribute to governance at our school, please contact the Principal.