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Dear Parent/Carer

NOMINATION FOR PARENT GOVERNOR

Parents play a very important role on our Governing Body and are a vital part of our team, helping the school to meet the needs of the children and the community we serve. All governors, including parent governors, are equally valued for their contribution to the life of the school. Parent governors are not delegates and do not speak 'on behalf' of the parent body but bring a parental perspective to the issues discussed.

Parent governors are elected by all parents and the term of office for Mark Sutherberry is drawing to a close. However, Mark has garnered significant experience and would like to be nominated again. We are, though, mindful that new parents have joined the school and we would like to open up the process to all parents, should they be interested in seeking election to the Governing Body.

It would be useful at this point in the school's development to have a parent governor with experience of strategic development. Further information regarding the role of governors may be found on the Governing Body section of the school website.

School governors have important responsibilities for the overall conduct of the school and clearly the views of parents are of great value. As a parent/carer of a child in our school you are entitled to stand as a candidate and to vote in an election. If you choose to offer yourself as a candidate to become a parent governor, please contact the school to arrange a telephone appointment with our Co-Chairs of Governors, Roger Henshaw and Steve Row, to discuss the responsibilities and expectations of school governors, by Monday 18th December. You should then complete the attached nomination form, including the details of a proposer and seconder, and return it to me not later than 4.00 p.m. on Friday 12th January 2024. You must, of course, obtain the agreement of your nominee. If you return a form, I shall sign a receipt for it. Should two parents living in the same household wish to make separate nominations, a further form can be obtained from the school.

If there are more nominations than places on the Governing Body, it will be necessary to hold an election. Candidates are invited to supply, in not more than 150 words, a note on their background and interests. In the event of an election being necessary, this information will be available to all parents who are eligible to vote.

All governors must have a DBS check carried out by the school and all appointments are dependent upon this. If you would like further advice you could speak to the present parent governors, the Head Teacher or Chair of Governors. For information I have also attached a list of disqualifications from governorship.

Yours sincerely

Mr K Flanagan
Headteacher