

# Shaw Wood Academy

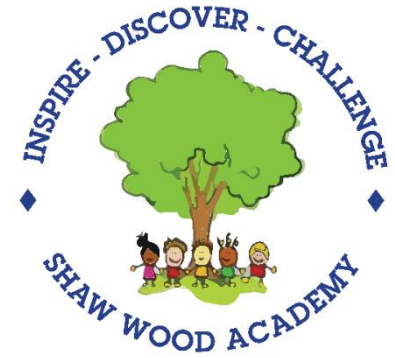
INSPIRE-DISCOVER-CHALLENGE

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12<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Dear parent

## PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

A vacancy has have arisen for 1 parent governor to serve on the Governing Body. This is a fabulous opportunity for one of our parents to put their name forward to stand for election as a Parent Governor. Nominations may be made by any parent who has a child attending our school. In the event of more nominations than vacancies being received an election by a secret ballot will take place at the school and voting papers will be sent to all parents together with details of the ballot procedure.

The Governing Body, together with the Headteacher, has overall responsibility for the running of the school. Governing bodies have the following three core strategic functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the Governing Body's work.

Training is available for all Governors and there is an expectation that those new to the role will attend induction training.

Appendix 2 (available on request) summarises the circumstances under which an individual cannot serve as a Governor. In addition, parents who have paid employment in the school for 500 or more hours per academic year or who are elected members of the Local Authority, are not eligible to stand in these elections. Nominations must be from parents with pupils at the school on the day that nominations close.

You will be required to adhere to the Governing Body Code of Conduct, a copy of which is available from the school.

In line with the School Governance Regulations details of your Governorship will be included on the school website together with any relevant business and pecuniary interests.

If you would like to stand for election please contact the school for a nomination form. Nomination forms must be completed in full and returned to the school no later than 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023. You may also include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words. Please note that this is optional. The statement should only include your reasons for wanting to be a parent governor and the contribution you believe you can make to the Governing Body.

Yours faithfully

Mr Ridley - Returning Officer



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