

All Saints' CE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNOR

Mrs Jemma East has now finished her term as one of our two elected Parent Governors, after kindly staying on for a year after her youngest child moved to secondary school. We are very grateful for her involvement with All Saints' and thank her for the difference she has made for our pupils, families and staff. We are now looking for a new Parent Governor – **could this be you?**

What is a Parent Governor?

Governing bodies are the key strategic decision-making body of every school. They have a vital role to play in making sure every child gets the best possible education.

You need no special qualifications to be a Parent Governor – the most important thing is to have a keen interest in our school and a willingness to play an active part in the governing body's work; however, please note that it is necessary for you to have a child at the school when you become a Parent Governor. As a Parent Governor your input will be very valuable to the school – but the role will also allow you to develop a deeper understanding of how education works for children at All Saints' – including your own! For more information, please see the **All Saints' Parent Governor Information Leaflet** (attached).

If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor, please complete the attached **Nomination Form** by **Friday 22nd September 2023**.

This includes space for a statement of not more than 80 words, in which you can give details about yourself, your views and the skills you believe you can bring to the Local Governing Body. If a number of parents nominate themselves, there will be an election by secret ballot, and this statement will be included on the voting paper.

The form also asks you to declare that you are not disqualified from serving as a school governor for any of the reasons described in the **Parent Governor Terms for Disqualification** (attached). Please note that if any grounds for disqualification come to light from this form or any other information then a person would automatically be barred from being a governor and their appointment would terminate with immediate effect.



St Edmundsbury and Ipswich
Diocesan Multi Academy Trust

These two documents can also be found on our school website www.allsaints.suffolk.sch.uk but if you would prefer paper copies, please contact us on 01638 662835 or admin@allsaints.suffolk.sch.uk and we will happily provide you with them.

The term of office for a Parent Governor is four years, and you can continue with the role whether or not your child remains at the school for the whole of this period. A Parent Governor elected now will hold office until October 2027 and, like other Governors, will be able to stand for re-election providing they are still eligible.

If there are more candidates than vacancies and there is an election, voting papers will be sent to all parents; both the School and the St Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Multi Academy Trust are keen for parents to play as full a part as possible in their children's education and so we would encourage as many parents as possible to vote.

Kind Regards,



Barbara Rodel (Mrs)
Headteacher

