



## Our schools need people like you to be governors!

*Have you ever thought of being a School Governor?*

*Are you someone ready to make a difference to children in our community?*

*Do you know, or are you someone who would like to contribute to the vision we have for our schools?*

Our local Church of England schools regularly look for new school governors and it would be really helpful if we knew who may be interested when a vacancy occurs. You may instantly think that this is not for you but pause; think about the skills you have, the knowledge you have gained of businesses, the world of work or from your experiences of family life and then consider how effective you could be in supporting our schools to work more successfully and help give children a great start in life.

Governors play a vital role in shaping the education of young people by helping to set the ethos, vision and strategy for our schools and governors describe this as a rewarding opportunity to help guide and then celebrate, improvements in our schools. Lorna, a new governor in one of our schools said

*'Being a school governor is a great opportunity for anyone who is interested in children's education to make an impact on their lives and at the same time, develop your own skills and learn new ones'.*

Strong governance in our schools is becoming all the more essential as our schools become more and more independent and self-governing.

Nearly everyone over 18 can be a governor and to be a governor you do not need to be a parent or have any experience in the education sector. We are particularly looking for people who possess the skills and experience which show you are:

- interested in education generally and schools in particular
- able to work well with others
- willing to listen and make informed judgements
- able to play a part in continuing to improve our church schools.

While an interest in improving outcomes for children our schools is important we also need you if you have financial experience or knowledge of financial systems; experience of managing people or you know about how to work or be involved in companies.

Individual governors on local governing bodies make important decisions that have a huge impact on the lives of young people. Every governor has a role to play in helping make sure every young person gets the best possible education and we would urge you to make contact with us to discuss becoming a governor and to find out more.

For more information about becoming a governor contact:

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