

# Help Shape our Future...

## Have you ever thought of becoming a Parent Governor?



**Ravenscroft School currently has a vacancy for a parent governor, which we need to fill as soon as possible**

Parent governors are people like you...

Do you have:

- ◆ An interest in our children's future?
- ◆ A desire to make a difference?
- ◆ Time and energy?
- ◆ A readiness to accept responsibility?
- ◆ An ability to work in a team?

Are you happy to ask questions, listen and learn?

**Then you could have what it takes to join the largest volunteer group in the country, working with others to get the best for our children and young people.**

All over the country, parent governors – people like you – are helping staff and head teachers to ensure the next generation gets the best from school.

The role is demanding but rewarding.

If you would like to offer your services as a school governor, all you need is commitment, enthusiasm and the ability to work as part of a team

If you would like to know more, or would like an application form, please contact:

**Ms Crawford - Clerk to Governors**  
*Via school*

**Closing date for applications is  
4pm on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October  
2021**

If we receive more nominations than vacancies then it will be necessary to hold a ballot, if this becomes necessary details will be sent to you

## What support will I get as a governor?

- ◆ An induction-training programme for newly appointed governors covering every main responsibility.
- ◆ Further training on a wide range of subjects.
- ◆ Specific advice is available under Governor SLA
- ◆ The Headteacher, Clerk and experienced Governors on your governing body will provide a major source of advice.

**For an informal discussion on the role of the governor contact:**

**Ms Hegarty – Headteacher**  
**Via school**

**Parent Governors serve for a term of four years, though they can resign during that time if they wish. They are full members of the governing body and must attend at least three meetings per year. It is possible that additional meetings will be called during each term. Meetings usually last for approximately two hours. In addition, there are various committees that meet and the details can be obtained from the Clerk to governors. Due to the current situation with the Coronavirus pandemic meetings are held virtually by 'Teams'.\***

**To be eligible for election, you must have parental responsibility for a registered pupil of this school when the election takes place, if you are not sure about this please contact the school office who will be able to explain this in more detail.**

**Self-nomination is permissible. If you wish to nominate another parent, please ensure that this is discussed with him or her beforehand as it will be necessary for him or her to complete a nomination form.**

**It is important that appropriate checks are made on anybody who will be working in a school or further education institution to prevent unsuitable people from gaining access to children.**

**On application, you will be asked to provide evidence of identity and sign a declaration that you are not disqualified from holding office within current Regulations, a copy of which will be supplied to you. If you are successful in your application, the school will apply for an enhanced DBS prior to the appointment being confirmed.**

***\*If you are successful in your application you will need to have access to a computer, smartphone or device that is able to have Microsoft Teams downloaded to it, to enable you to attend meetings.***