## Help Shape our Future... Have you ever thought of becoming a Parent Governor?



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

Parent governors are people like you...

Have you got:

- 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:

Katy Walmsley School Business Manager 0151 477 8290

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 from Knowsley Governor Support Service.
- ◆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, please contact Mrs Coleman.

Closing date for applications is 4pm on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

Parent Governors serve for a term of 4 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 one to two hours. In addition, there are various committees that meet, and the details can be obtained from the School Business Manager.

To be eligible for election, you must have parental responsibility for a registered pupil of our 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 them beforehand as it will be necessary for them 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 Criminal Records Check prior to the appointment being confirmed.