

NOTICE OF PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

We currently have one vacancy for a Parent Governor which we would like to fill as soon as possible.

New Christchurch CE Primary School has always aimed for a partnership with parents, which undoubtedly brings great benefits to the children. One of the most significant ways you can help in promoting this aim is to volunteer to be a Parent Governor.

The governing body of school is responsible for ensuring that pupils receive high quality education and that the conduct of the school reflects this aim. Governors are the link between the school and the community and representatives of all those with an interest in the well-being and reputation of the school are needed. Parents are a vital part of this team of people and we feel sure that there are parents prepared to take on this important role and give their time and commitment to helping us to continue to improve the school's performance.

If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor, you should:

- Complete a nomination form, available at the school office.
- Have your nomination supported by a proposer and seconder, who are parents of children also attending the school (you may nominate yourself).
- You may include a brief personal statement for circulation to voters, should a ballot be required.
- Return the form to the school clearly marked 'For the attention of the Returning Officer' by the closing date detailed below.

If there are more nominations than vacancies, a secret ballot will be held, and each parent will be issued with a voting paper, via pupil post.

The following timetable will apply ***if it is necessary to hold a ballot***:

Nomination forms sent home via pupil post	26 th February 2010
Last day for returning nominations	10 th March 2010
Notification to parents of need for ballot and arrangements made	12 th March 2010
Ballot paper dispatched to parents along with notification of the candidates	19 th March 2010
Last day for return of ballot papers	26 th March 2010
Count of ballot papers	30 th March 2010

All parents will be notified of the result. Please note that for the protection of children all governor appointments are subject to a vetting process and identity check.

Should you wish to discuss the role of a Parent Governor in more detail, please contact the school office and we will put you in contact with one of our current governors.

Yours sincerely

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Head Teacher, on behalf of the Governing Body