

4th November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Parent Governor Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen for a Parent Governor on our Governing Body.

The Governing Body has a strategic role in the management of our school. Responsibilities of the Governing Body include:

- Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Hold Executive Leaders to account for educational performance of the organisation, its pupils and the performance management of Staff
- Oversee the Financial performance of the organisation and make sure money is well spent

Parent Governors are welcomed as valued members of the team and play a vital role in ensuring the Governing Body is aware of the views of parents and the local community. Since the role of Governor requires a commitment of time to attend meetings, nominations will likely not be considered from parents who are existing Governors at another school. We would be keen to appoint a Parent Governor who has a commitment to the School's vision and ethos, who demonstrates a willingness to undergo training and who has the time to attend meetings. 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.

Training is available for all newly appointed Governors, and there is an expectation that you will attend these induction sessions within the first year of your appointment.

If you think you have the time and willingness to join our Governing Body, please complete the nomination form attached and return to school by **Friday 20th November 2020**. You can also email your nomination to harrisonr@lowtonhs.wigan.sch.uk please put 'Parent Governor Nomination' in the subject.

Nominations received after the closing date will not be accepted.

If we receive more than one nomination, we will hold an election and all parents will be asked to vote for their preferred candidate.

If you have any questions or would like an informal conversation about the role of a Governor, please contact myself or the Chair of Governors – Mrs Rosemary Johnston - via the Clerk to Governors at harrisonr@lowtonhs.wigan.sch.uk, 01942-767040 or in writing via the school address.

Yours sincerely

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