



12th February 2019

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

THE CRYPT SCHOOL

Parent Governor Vacancies

I am writing to inform you that, from 1st April 2019, we have two vacancies for parent governors/directors of the Academy Trust. The Crypt 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's main tasks are to support the School; ensure that pupils receive high quality education; oversee the School's financial performance; and plan for future development and improvement.

Parent governors are valued members of the team and have the same rights, responsibilities and duties as other governors. They play a vital role in ensuring the Governing Body is aware of the views of parents and the local community, although all governors are responsible for ensuring that they listen and respond to stakeholders. We would like to broaden the diversity of the Board and would encourage any parent who wishes to be involved with the Governing Body to put themselves forward. Further expertise on the Board in school sector human resources, and property and estate matters, would be desirable, but skills and experience in these areas are not essential. Equally important is a willingness to play a full part in the work of the Governing Body and to undertake training and development as needed to make an effective contribution to governance.

The caring and friendly ethos of the School is reflected on the Board and we provide a full induction programme for all new governors. Further information regarding the [role of a governor](#) and the time commitment required is available on the School website. If you would like to speak to an existing governor about the role or would like any assistance in completing the nomination form, please contact our Clerk, Nicola Donlon (clerk@crypt.gloucs.sch.uk).

Who can stand as and vote for parent governors?

All natural parents, whether they are married or not;

Any person who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility for a child or young person;

Any person who, although not a natural parent has care of a child or young person

AND

Has a child on roll at the time of the election.

A person may be disqualified from becoming a governor; the criteria are on the website (or contact the Clerk).

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 governor, please return the enclosed form, which will need to be with the School by 12.00 noon on Friday, 1st March, 2019.

Please note that, for the protection of children, all governor elections or appointments are subject to a vetting process and identity check. If there are more nominations than vacancies, an election will be held (ballot papers to be returned by Friday, 15th March) and you will be sent a voting paper. You may return the ballot paper either via your child or by post.

Yours sincerely

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Chair of Governors

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