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Dear Parents, Carers and all members of the community

Could you be who we are looking for?

Would you like to help make a positive contribution to children's education? Could you use your workplace skills in partnership with our Governing Body to promote the continuous improvement in the performance of the school? Then the Governing Body of Easthampstead Park Community School would love to hear from you.

At present there are several vacancies for Co-opted Governors on the Governing Body of Easthampstead Park Community School and Governors would like to invite anyone who is interested in the post to put their names forward.

Parents and Carers, in particular, are interested in the education of their children and share the school's commitment to ensure the best possible education and opportunities for our students. One of the most significant ways to build on this is to volunteer to be a governor. However, the role of Co-opted Governor is not restricted to parents. Any member of the community who feels they have a part to play in our school would be welcome to apply.

All of our Governors have their own careers and responsibilities but they dedicate time to the school when they are able. Our Governors bring a wealth of different experience to the Governing Body including financial expertise, strategic planning and more practical skills, all of which are highly valued.

The main role of the Governing Body is to provide the strategic direction for the school, to hold the Headteacher to account and to ensure that the school budget is well spent. More detailed information can be found in the article 'What does a Governor do?' on the school website <http://www.epschool.org/code-of-practice/>

The main requirements for a governor are to be keen, committed and willing to learn. If you feel this describes you then please consider applying. Additionally the skills you have could be very useful to our Governing Body. Currently the Governing Body would like to recruit someone who has a knowledge or interest in finance, however this is not essential.

Normally the Governing Body meets 5 times during the year, each of the 5 committees also meet at least once a term. Governors are expected to be a member of at least one committee, of their choice. <http://www.epschool.org/committees/>

We expect all our governors to attend the excellent training provided by the Local Authority to ensure we maintain the skills necessary to fulfil our role. There is also a full induction programme for new governors. More information about our school and our governors can be found on the website <http://www.epschool.org.uk> and further information about being a school governor can be found on the Bracknell Forest Council website: <http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/schoolgovernors>

If you have any further questions contact our Chair of Governors, Rene Rastall, via email at chairofgovernors@epschool.org or apply to the Clerk to the Governors, Penny Thompson, via email at clerktothegovernors@epschool.org

Yours faithfully

Penny Thompson
Clerk to the Governors

