

*Winchelsea*



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Dear Parent/Carer,

### **PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION**

I am writing to you to invite you to stand for election as a parent governor, or nominate another parent to do so. In our school we have provision for a parent governor and there is currently a vacancy.

The governing body, with the headteacher, has overall responsibility for the running of the school. Governing bodies have three core strategic functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the governing body's work. **However, we would particularly welcome nominations from parents with data analysis skills, leadership skills and good financial acumen.** Training is available for all governors and this governing body has an expectation that those new to being a governor, attend free induction training.

Parents/carers who have paid employment in the school for 500 or more hours per academic year or who are elected members of the Local Authority, are not eligible to stand in these elections. Nominations must be from parents or carers with children at the school on the day that nominations close.

If you would like to stand for election or you would like an information pack, please contact Amanda Pickworth at email [amanda.pickworth@winchelsea.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:amanda.pickworth@winchelsea.lincs.sch.uk) The nomination should be emailed to Amanda no later than 10am Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020. You may also include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words. Self-nominations will be accepted but if you are nominating another parent, please seek their prior consent.

If there is more than one nomination the election will be by secret ballot. If that is necessary, voting papers will be sent to all parents together with details of the ballot procedure.

Yours faithfully,  
Amanda Pickworth

Returning Officer.

