

## **VACANCY FOR A PARENT GOVERNOR**

### **WHO CAN APPLY?**

Any parent of a pupil here at Ashton C of E Primary School, who is eighteen or over, a legal resident of the UK and not disqualified under the School Governance Constitution (England) Regulations 2003 is eligible for the role.

### **WHERE IS THE VACANCY?**

Here at Ashton C of E Primary School we have a vacancy for a parent governor

### **WHY SHOULD I BE A SCHOOL GOVERNOR?**

Governors perform the most important voluntary role in education and a full and diverse governing body can be a source of enormous strength to a school. Volunteering as a governor is a great way to contribute to your local community, meet new people and improve the lives of local children. You will develop transferable skills and learn more about the education system whilst putting existing skills and experience to good use

### **WHAT IS THE ROLE OF A SCHOOL GOVERNOR?**

Governing bodies are responsible for the strategic management of a school and will make decisions about a wide range of issues. The core responsibilities involved are:

Ensuring accountability

Acting as a 'critical friend' to the Head Teacher

Monitoring and evaluating the school's progress

Budgetary allocation and control

Planning for the long term future of the school

Setting the school's aims and values

Appointing senior members of staff including the Head Teacher

The governing body is split in to two smaller committees and these committees will meet separately from the main governing body to discuss relevant issues in more detail. Discussion is then fed back at a full governing body meeting.

### **WHEN DO THEY MEET?**

Governing body meetings are held in term time only. There are at least five full governor meetings per school year, these will usually be held in the evening from 7pm onwards. There are also the smaller committee meetings in addition to these full meetings.

### **HOW DO I APPLY?**

Please pop into the school and speak to Mrs. Whitlock, (Headteacher) for a chat and more information.

