



## Bicton C of E Primary School and Nursery

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Head teacher: Mrs Natalie Johnson BA (Hons)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

### **Parent Governor Vacancy**

We are seeking nominations for the above vacancy.

We are looking for somebody who will represent the needs of all the children in our church school community and who is able to fully commit to the life of the school.

Whilst our governors cannot visit school in person during the COVID-19 restrictions, our Governing Body are still very active and this includes regular meetings via Microsoft Teams.

If you have any questions about the role of the parent governor and the time and skills involved, please do not hesitate to speak to either one of us.

Kind regards

Mrs Natalie Johnson  
Head teacher

Mrs Juliette Freeman  
Chair of Governors



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**PG1**

To: All Parents of Pupils Registered at Bicton CE Primary School

Dear Parent

### **Notice about Parent Governor Election Arrangements/Request for Nominations**

The Constitution of the School's Governing Body allows for the appointment of 4 parent governors. These appointments are made by election. The number of vacancies to be filled on this occasion is 1.

I should be pleased to receive nominations for this vacancy on the tear off slip provided and in accordance with the following notes:-

1. Only parents who have/will have children registered at the school on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020 are eligible to stand for election or make a nomination.  
  
The other eligibility rules, which should be read carefully, are printed overleaf.
2. Candidates may nominate themselves.
3. Candidates are entitled and encouraged to submit a brief personal statement (not more than 100 words; anything more than 100 words may give rise to complaints from other candidates and so will not be accepted) giving autobiographical details and information regarding their suitability to be an effective governor, except information indicating that they are endorsed or supported by any group or association.
4. Each parent may submit a nomination for each of the vacancies to be filled. Nominations and statements, where made, must be returned to me by Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> 2020. Any received after this date cannot be included in the election.
5. Candidates must sign the form to indicate their willingness to stand.
6. The term of office of a parent governor is 4 years from the date of appointment. Parent governors are not disqualified if their children leave the school before the end of this period.
7. The definition of a "parent", in relation to any child or young person, includes any person who is not a parent but who has parental responsibility for or who has care for the child or young person.

The timescale for this election is as follows:-

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| a) | Nominations on PG1 to be returned to school by the end of the school day on | 09.12.2020 |
| b) | Ballot papers will be distributed on  | 10.12.2020 |
| c) | Voting closes at the end of the school day on                               | 17.12.2020 |
| d) | Votes will be counted and result announced on                               | 18.12.2020 |

Many thanks

Mrs Natalie Johnson  
Head teacher

## **Disqualification Rules for being a school governor**

**A person is disqualified from holding or continuing to hold office as a governor of a school if, in summary, that person:**

- is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order; an interim bankruptcy restrictions order; debt relief restrictions order; an interim debt relief restrictions order; or their estate has been sequestrated and the sequestration has not been discharged, annulled or reduced;
- is subject to a disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986; a disqualification order under the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 2002; a disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002; or an order made under section 429(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under county court administration order)
- has been removed from the office of trustee for a charity by an order made by the Charity Commission or Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement in the administration of the charity, or under section 34 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 from being concerned in the management or control of any body.
- has been removed from office as an elected governor within the last five years
- is included in the list of people considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children or young people
- is barred from any regulated activity relating to children
- is subject to a direction of the Secretary of State under section 142 of the Education Act 2002 or section 128 of the Education and Skills Act 2008
- is disqualified from working with children or from registering for child-minding or providing day care
- is disqualified from being an independent school proprietor, teacher or employee by the Secretary of State
- subject to certain exceptions for overseas offences that do not correlate with a UK offence, has been sentenced to three months or more in prison (without the option of a fine) in the five years ending with the date preceding the date of appointment/election as a governor or since becoming a governor
- subject to certain exceptions for overseas offences that do not correlate with a UK offence, has received a prison sentence of two and a half years or more in the 20 years ending with the date preceding the date of appointment/election as a governor
- subject to certain exceptions for overseas offences that do not correlate with a UK offence, has at any time received a prison sentence of five years or more
- has been convicted and fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school or educational premises during the five years ending with the date immediately preceding appointment/election or since appointment or election as a governor
- refuses a request by the clerk to make an application to the Disclosure and Barring Service for a criminal records certificate.

***All new or re-appointed/elected governors are now required to confirm that they do not fall foul of the disqualification rules as listed and provide proof of their identity to the Headteacher. This is arranged once the election has taken place.***

Please return to the Head teacher at Bicton CE Primary School by Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2020 at the latest.

I wish to nominate:

<u>Nomination</u>	<u>Full Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
1.	_____	_____
		_____
		_____

for election as a parent governor.

**To be signed by the nominee and nominator if different.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Nominator if you are not nominating yourself)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Nominee i.e. the person standing as parent governor)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A brief personal statement written by the candidate is attached/not provided.

(delete as appropriate)