



# Orleans Primary School

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9<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

## **Election of Parent Governors: Call for Candidates**

**Deadline: 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020**

I am writing to notify you of a vacancy for a Parent Governor at Orleans Primary School.

To be a School Governor is to assume an important role within the school community. The school's governing board is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and creating robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational and financial performance. The board is passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for our pupils.

Orleans Primary School has an active Governing Body and all Governors are expected to participate fully. Parent Governors bring unique perspectives, however they are parent representatives, rather than representatives of the parents, and this can sometimes be challenging. Governors will need to attend relevant training, visit the school regularly, and be an active member of at least one of the Governing Body's Committees. Committees generally meet twice per term during school hours. The Full Governing Body meets six times a year and meetings are at 6.30pm, usually on Wednesday evenings.

This vacancy is open to all parents, or person exercising parental responsibility, who currently have a child at Orleans Primary School. The term of office will begin on 7 December 2020 for a four-year term, this term of office continues to apply for parent governors whose child leaves the school during this time.

The governing board is keen for candidates to have skills in either of following, although this is not essential:

- Human Resources policy and processes
- Data Analysis

If you would like to put yourself forward, please complete the below nomination form and return it to Alex Axiom, Chair of Governors, by close of school on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020.

If one nomination is received, that parent will be automatically appointed. If there are two or more nominees, an election will be held by secret ballot of all parents. It would therefore be very helpful if you could please provide a short personal statement (maximum 200 words). This statement could include biographical information, your reasons for wanting to be a parent governor and the contribution you believe you can make to the Governing Board.

The Governing Board is integral in setting the strategic direction of the school and I do hope that you will consider supporting the school in this important and rewarding way. If you have any queries about this process or would like to find out more about the role, please contact [aaxiom@orleans.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:aaxiom@orleans.richmond.sch.uk) or 07779 021395 or you may contact our current parent governor, Caroline Green on [cgreen@orleans.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:cgreen@orleans.richmond.sch.uk) or 07540 890730.

Kind Regards,

Alex Axiom

Chair of Governors

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## NOMINATION FORM FOR PARENTS GOVERNOR

Name and Address:

Phone number:

Email address:

Nominee's Personal Statement: (not more than 200 words)

I confirm that I am a parent or carer of a registered pupil at the school and am not:

- An elected member of the local authority
- Paid to work in the school for more 500 hours in any consecutive 12 month period

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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