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GOVERNOR VACANCY

I am writing to inform you that there is a vacancy on the Governing Board of Little Heath School. Being a governor is a rewarding role, working alongside other governors you will play an important part in shaping the educational outcomes for our pupils. Our governing board has four core functions:

- Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Hold executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the organisation and its pupils, and the performance management of staff; and
- Oversee the financial performance of the organisation and making sure its money is well spent
- Ensure that children and young people attending the school are safe and that policies and procedures are in place for appropriate action to be taken to safeguard and promote children's welfare

Being inquisitive, having a genuine interest in education, and being committed and enthusiastic are the main attributes we look for in governors at Little Heath. We are proud that our Governing Body is made up of a diverse group of people, with a wide range of different skills.

As well as being appointed to the full governing board, you will also be asked to sit on a committee which specialises in a particular area of governance. Meetings are held regularly throughout the academic term during the morning or evening and are approximately 1-2 hours in length. The term of office is four years, but you can resign at any time. Every school governor must undertake a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

As governors we regularly check that we have the right skills to do the job and we would particularly welcome nominations from parents with the following skills and knowledge: Marketing/PR; Health and Safety; Human Resources. Some of this knowledge, and how it relates to a school, can be obtained through training and a willingness to attend appropriate training would be welcomed. All training for governors is free of charge, with Induction training being compulsory.

If you, or someone you know, would like to talk to the Chair of Governors about becoming a Governor before making the decision to apply, please contact the Clerk to Governors by email: clerk@littleheath.org.uk

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Juli Morgan-Russell
Acting Chair of Governors