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Dear Parent/Carer

We currently have a Parent Governor vacancy on our Governing Body. The purpose of this letter is to provide some information about the role and responsibilities of being a Governor.

Being a Governor at your child's school can be very rewarding! It does not matter if you do not have experience in education matters, as full training and support is available from Ormiston Academies Trust.

Becoming a Parent Governor offers you the opportunity to make a real contribution to the life and work of our academy. Governors play a key role in supporting the leadership of the academy and work together with the principal, staff and other governors to ensure that our academy provides a challenging and supportive environment for our children.

Who can be a parent governor?

All parents and carers of registered pupils are eligible to become Parent Governors. Every parent/carers, whether or not they live with the pupil, is entitled to be nominated as a Parent Governor and to vote in a Parent Governor election. A person who has parental responsibility or day-to-day care of a pupil is also eligible to serve and to vote.

Please note – parents or carers who have paid employment in the academy for 500 hours per academic year or more or who are elected members of the local authority are not eligible to stand in these elections.

How long do parent governors serve?

The usual term of office is four years from the date of appointment with a review meeting after the first year. If you choose to, you can complete your term of office even if your child has since left the academy.

How are parent governors nominated and elected?

If you feel you would like to become a Parent Governor please complete the nomination form and submit a statement stating why you would like to be a governor (no more than 150 words). The closing date and time for the receipt of nominations is 9am on Friday 17th November 2023. If more than one nomination is received, an election will be held and the ballot papers for this will be sent to all parents and carers.

If you are interested and would like to find out more, please do not hesitate to contact the Academy office who will arrange a meeting.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Katharine Rutherford', enclosed within a large, stylized blue oval flourish.

Mrs K Rutherford
Principal