



Could YOU be a school governor?

we are currently underrepresented in the following areas :-
Legal, Health & Safety, Social Care and Marketing

School governors play a vital role in setting the school's aims and values, promoting high standards of education and achievement and planning the school's long term future.

Becoming a school governor provides you with a unique opportunity to develop skills in budgeting, HR, marketing, PR, change management, strategic planning as well as the softer skills needed for effective team working such as influencing, coaching and communication skills.

You don't have to be a parent or know about the education system to be a school governor. The most important qualities are a desire to help the school provide the best possible standard of education and give our children the best start in life, with the willingness to dedicate time and energy, together with appropriate skills — not necessarily gained from business or corporate working .

As an equal opportunities organization and one where not every member of the governing body must be from a local church we aim to reflect the community we live and work within and actively encourage expressions of interest and applications from people of all backgrounds. They must comply with the legal requirements to become a Governor and meet the school's particular needs at the time of application.

RESPONSIBILITIES	COMMITMENT	TRAINING AND SUPPORT
General <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ providing strategic direction, ✓ ensuring accountability and monitoring ✓ evaluating school performance. ✓ Work for the benefit of the school and uphold its values ✓ Work as part of a team 	As a school governor, you will be expected to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ attend the full governing body meetings, ✓ participate in one of the committees that support the governing body ✓ and do the necessary preparatory reading. ✓ Attend 	You will be provided with access to Governor training schedules from <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ the RBWM ✓ Oxford Diocese as well as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ induction programme, ✓ guidance documents and advice. ✓ Mentor
Specific responsibilities include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ appointing the head teacher ✓ budgetary control and allocation ✓ own Admissions Authority 	Interested? We are currently updating our Recruitment Policy, an information pack and details of how to apply will be available here soon. In the mean time, for further information or an informal chat regarding joining our team, please contact :-	In addition, The National Governors' Association provides information and advice to governors as well as representing the views of school governors in England

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*Our vision is to stand at the heart of the local community as a school of excellence.
 We will provide a happy, nurturing and challenging environment based on adventure and Christian values'*