



# Selwyn Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Governor Recruitment**

We currently have vacancies for parent governors on the Selwyn Local Governing Body. Governors help to make big decisions about the school's long-term goals. A parent governor is a strategic role and involves supporting head teachers, but also asking questions and making sure the head teacher is taking the school in the right direction. They ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction; hold the head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its' pupils and oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure its money is well spent.

You will need to attend a governors' meeting each term and come in to school at least once a term to speak to staff and look at children's work. In addition, there is an annual training event, once a year, on a Saturday. As a governor, you will be able to access training if you want to know more about any aspect of governance.

You don't need any experience to be a governor however; the governing body should have people with a wide range of skills that will enable them to support and challenge the school in different ways. You will need to be able to work well in a team and listen to the views of others in a respectful manner as decisions are made jointly. You will also need to be committed to promoting the school's interests.

Although all governing bodies vary in their structure, further information about the role can be found at [www.arboracademytrust.co.uk](http://www.arboracademytrust.co.uk) or <https://walthamforest.gov.uk/content/school-governors>. If you are interested in becoming a school governor, please complete the slip below. We will then provide you with details on how to apply.

If you have any further questions about this or would like to discuss the role further, please contact me via the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Bogle  
Head teacher



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## **Parent Governor Autumn 2018**

I..... parent of ..... (children's name) in ..... (child/ children's class), would like to expression my interest in becoming a parent governor. I understand the requirements.

I can be contacted on ..... (mobile telephone) and by (email address)

at.....

Signed.....