

Become a parent governor at Cottingley Village Primary School

We are currently looking for a parent to join our Governing Body referred to as the Local Advisory Board. School governors play a key role in raising school standards and monitoring performance. They play a role in supporting, questioning and challenging senior leaders and make important decisions covering issues such as policy making, site management, budget and the curriculum. Governors support the school in a variety of ways in addition to attending meetings. It is a very important and worthwhile job! Anyone can become a governor; the only requirement is that you have the enthusiasm and desire to make a difference.

School governors serve for a four year term of office. However, should your circumstances change, as a volunteer, you can resign at any time. In terms of time commitment, the Local Advisory Board meets 5 to 6 times per year and each meeting lasts up to 2 hours. In addition, there will be opportunities for governors to visit school to undertake monitoring, attend events and take part in other types of meetings among other things. However, there is no obligation to do this, as we acknowledge that it is a voluntary role and we are very grateful for whatever time governors are able to give.

Training and support will be made available for new and existing governors. There would be an expectation for governors to learn and access support to develop their skills to enhance the work of the Governing Body.

Being a governor is an enormously challenging and rewarding opportunity. The personal benefits can be summarised as:

- A sense of satisfaction through knowing children will benefit from your efforts.
- The opportunity to develop new skills and to strengthen existing ones.
- The opportunity to work with people from a variety of social, cultural and religious backgrounds.
- The opportunity to gain understanding in key areas such as finance, personnel, and strategic planning.
- The opportunity to gain awareness of the education system as a whole.

Find out more about school governors at www.becomeagovernor.com

Interested? Ask at reception for details and a nomination form.

