



Fountains CE Primary School



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Dear Parents/Carers

We are looking for committed people to join The Federation of Grewelthorpe and Fountains Primary School Governing Board as **Co-opted Governors, Parent Governor and Foundation Governors**.

We have a number of vacancies and would welcome applications from people with experience in:

- * Finance (Accountant, Finance Manager etc)
- * Human Resources
- * Marketing/PR/Stakeholder Communications
- * Health and Safety (H&S officer, union rep etc)

The Governing Board operates at a strategic level and is not involved in the day-to-day running of the school. We are responsible for both the conduct of the school and for the promotion of high standards. We carry out this role by setting the vision for the school, ensuring that the school works efficiently and effectively towards achieving its vision, and that the school provides a high quality education for its pupils. This is done by building a thorough knowledge of the school and its community, by both supporting and constructively challenging the school, and by ensuring accountability and compliance.

Governors need not be experts in the field of education. What they do need is an interest in the school and in the welfare of its pupils, together with the time and willingness to get involved. The skills you have can be very useful to the Governing Board.

Governors also need 'soft skills' – the ability to be able to build relationships with a range of people, to be able to work as part of a team, to be able to question, and to make connections between different types of information.

Our Governing Board has certain expectations of governors, which currently are:

- * to attend and contribute to termly meetings of the full Governing Board,
- * when required, to sit on any committee (termly) or working party and attend all associated meetings
- * to monitor a subject link area within the school, e.g. Numeracy, Literacy, Special Educational Needs, Early Years, etc., and meet with the staff subject leader on a minimum of a termly basis, reporting on each visit to the Governing Board
- * to visit the school formally for monitoring purposes as directed by the Governing Board,

- * to visit the school informally on occasion,
- * to commit to attend training courses,
- * to comply with the expectations set out in our Code of Conduct including complete confidentiality.

If you would like to find out more about how you can contribute to governance at our school, ask for an application pack or have any questions about anything, then please contact the Fountain's School office on 01765 620631 or office@gfschools.co.uk which will then arrange for a governor to contact you.

The closing date for all applications is 12 Noon on Friday 30th November.



