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Dear Parent/Carer,

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

We currently have two vacancies on our school Governing body for a Parent Governor. If you are interested in joining our team of Governors, then we'd very much like to hear from you.

School governors perform an important voluntary role, monitoring and evaluating our school's progress to ensure the best possible education for every single pupil. Our governors are collectively responsible for the strategic management of our school; setting targets and ensuring they are met, formulating school policy and planning for future development. Governors also help to make the key decisions which shape the school, including appointing and performance managing the Head Teacher and setting the school's budget.

You don't need any qualifications or previous experience to become a Governor, the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the governing body's work. However, we would particularly welcome nominations from parents with experience of: **finance, ICT, marketing and communications.**

As you will be aware, the school will soon be becoming an academy and joining the Midsomer Norton Schools Partnership. This is an excellent opportunity to help guide the school as we embark on this exciting journey. The governing body meets 12 times a year on Wednesday or Thursday evenings. Each meeting lasts 1 and a half hours.

If you are interested in finding out more you are welcome to contact any of our Governors who will be delighted to share their own experiences, as well as explain more about this important role. Our current Parent Governors are: **Phil Elkington** and **Rebecca Dobson**. Governors can be contacted by email at: governors@msnprimary.org. Alternatively, feel free to contact Mr Randell to find out more.

If you would like to stand for election then please advise us in writing, along with a short personal statement (no more than 250 words) to support your application, and return it to the school no later than **Thursday 22nd June**. Self-nominations will be accepted, but if you are nominating another parent please seek their prior consent. If there is more than one nomination there will be a secret ballot. If that is necessary, voting papers will be sent to all parents and carers together with details of the ballot procedure.

Please give careful consideration to this important role, as strong governance is essential in securing an outstanding education for all our children.

Yours faithfully,

Martine Duggan
Chair of Governors
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