

Foundation Governor Vacancies

The governing board of Warfield CE Primary School has vacancies for 2 Foundation Governors.

Church Schools need Church People!

Do you:

- Care about children and education
- Enjoy making a difference
- Like a challenge
- Have a commitment to education in a Christian context

If so, you could become a Foundation governor.

What is a Foundation governor?

Foundation Governors have a particular responsibility within Church Schools to preserve and develop the Christian character and ethos of the school and to build the community of schools throughout the Diocese.

Foundation Governors are normally practising Christians, but as a school governor, a Foundation Governor is more than a Church representative. They are a full governor with an equal share of the responsibility for things such as: raising school standards through our three key roles of setting strategic direction, ensuring accountability and monitoring and evaluating school performance. The governing board's overriding responsibility is to work in partnership with the Headteacher, who we appoint, to promote the continuous improvement in the performance of the school.

We are looking to encourage people from the local Christian community to join our governing board at Warfield. We are particularly keen to hear from those who have experience of:

- Finance
- HR
- National education policy and the local education context

Our governing board currently has 11 governors, which are comprised of the Headteacher, 3 elected parent governors, 1 Local Authority governor, 1 Foundation governor and 5 co-opted governors. We also have 1 Associate member and employ a professional Clerk. All of our Governors have their own careers and responsibilities but they dedicate time to the school when they are able.

We ask that governors attend termly meetings, attend at least one training session per academic year and visit the school during the working day at least once during an academic year. Our governors all agree that seeing how the school runs and the impact of their decisions on the school community is the most enjoyable part of being a governor.

Governors play a very important role in the following ways:

- Forging close links with parents and supporting the school at consultation meetings.
- Keeping abreast of pupil progress meetings.
- Constructive challenge of the school's leaders on the fine detail of the results of testing.
- Keeping a watchful eye on school spending, particularly that linked with pupil premium, ensuring this funding has the desired impact.

Bracknell Forest Borough Council supports governors with an experienced team of expert advisers, together with a comprehensive training programme – which can be applicable in other fields of work. We believe that being a governor at Warfield CE Primary School can give a volunteer a deep level of personal satisfaction in helping others in their community, as well as developing practical skills useful in all workplaces.

If you are interested in the above position, please request an application form from Claire Pollard, Clerk to the Governors, via email on claire.pollard@warfieldprimary.co.uk