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Dear Stantonbury families

## **Election of Parent Governor**

I am writing to invite you to consider standing for election as a parent governor on the Local Governing Body for Stantonbury School or to nominate another parent to do so. In our School we have provision for two parent governors and as we are a new Local Governing Body we need to fill both vacancies. The term of office is for 4 years.

The Tove Learning Trust Board of Trustees, together with the Associate Principal, has overall responsibility for the running of the School. The Board of Trustees delegates certain powers and functions to the Local Governing Body. These are set out in the Trust's Scheme of Delegation and Terms of Reference which are available to view on the Tove Learning Trust website.

No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the School and be prepared to play an active part in the local governing body's work.

To fulfil the role, you will need to:

- Attend regular meetings (around 6 each year)
- Visit the school occasionally.
- Do some background reading.
- Take part in induction training and ongoing development (which will be provided for you).

Nominations must be from parents, or individuals exercising parental responsibility, of a child at the School. If you would like to stand for election or nominate another parent, please complete nomination available the form on the website https://stantonbury-tove.org.uk/about-us/gf-updates/parent-gov-vacancy and return to the school office or email to kirsty.macpherson@stantonbury-tove.org.uk by Tuesday 7th November. Self-nominations will be accepted, but if you are nominating another parent you should seek their prior consent. There are some circumstances under which someone cannot serve as local governor and these are described here а https://stantonbury-tove.org.uk/about-us/gf-updates/parent-gov-vacancy

You may also include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words. The statement should only include biographical information,



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your reasons for wanting to be a parent governor and the contribution you believe you can make to the local governing body.

If there are more nominations than vacancies the election will be by secret ballot. If that is necessary, voting papers will be sent to all parents together with details of the ballot procedure.

I do hope you will consider standing as a governor yourself or nominating someone else. If you would like more information about being a governor please let me know. I would be happy to meet with any prospective candidates to discuss the role in more detail.

Yours faithfully,

Jim Parker Executive Principal

