



# KINGS' SCHOOL

**As a school we are currently seeking a new coopted governor for the start of next academic year.**

## **What is a school governor?**

School governors have a varied and important role, in helping our school run effectively. They have 3 core functions:

- Planning the strategic direction of the school
- Overseeing financial performance of the school and ensuring money is well spent
- Holding the headteacher or school leadership to account

The governor role is strategic rather than operational. Governors don't get involved with the day to day running of a school, instead supporting and challenging the school's leadership team to drive school improvement. They champion the work the school does.

## **Our governing board**

Our board consists of 18 people and we meet all together 6 times per year. We also have two main committees that governors join – either the resources or education committee. We are currently recruiting for a governor to sit on our resources committee which oversee the schools finances and premises.

Our governors come from our local community and in their role they:

- get to know the school, including visiting the school occasionally during school hours and in agreement with the headteacher, and gaining a good understanding of the school's strengths and weaknesses
- attend induction training and regular relevant training and development events
- attend meetings (full governing board meetings and committee meetings) and read all the papers before the meeting
- act in the best interests of all the pupils of the school
- behave in a professional manner, as set down in the governing board's code of conduct, including acting in strict confidence

Being a school governor is a commitment and a responsibility, but offers you the chance to see first-hand the impact you can make in improving education for children in your community.

Do I need to have certain qualifications?

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 governing body's work.

## **How do I apply?**

To find out more about the role, you can contact Sarah Taylor our Vice Chair of Governors via [kings.school@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk](mailto:kings.school@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk)

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