**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, this will include:

* 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 Rupert Neville our Vice Chair of Governors via email: [kings.school@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk](mailto:kings.school@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk)

For job description and application form:

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