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Dear Parents and Carers

### **Parent Governor Vacancy**

The Hamble School aims to work in partnership with parents, which undoubtedly brings great benefits to the children. One of the most significant ways you can help in promoting this aim is to volunteer to be a parent governor. We really value the contribution that you, as parents, can bring to the governing body of our school. We are looking for parents who feel that they would be able to support the governing body by:

- ensuring that the school has a clear vision, ethos and strategic direction.
- challenging and supporting the Leadership Team to continually strive to improve the educational performance of the school and its students.
- monitoring the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.
- ensuring that the governing body is aware of the views of its parents and the local community.

The approximate time commitment involved would be for five Full Governing Body meetings a year, usually on a Tuesday starting at 6.15 pm and finishing no later than 8.15 pm. You would also be allocated to a committee (focusing on either financial or curriculum matters) which would meet approximately three times a year, on a Tuesday or Wednesday, for a maximum of 2 hours.

Meetings may involve a degree of pre-reading and there may also be the occasional ad-hoc meeting during the year. In addition to this, Governors are involved in two monitoring visits to the school, and are invited to school events.

The Governing Body requires a range of knowledge and skills, for example a financial, personnel or business sector background would be beneficial. Governors need not be experts in the field of education; an interest in the school and the welfare of our students is paramount. In return, we are able to offer you full training and support, and a valuable boost to your CV and continued professional development.

If you feel you are able to support the school in this way, please telephone Reception on 023 80 452105 for an application form or download it from our website [www.thehambleschool.co.uk](http://www.thehambleschool.co.uk). Please return your completed form to Reception or email to the clerk to the governors – [dkaye@thehambleschool.co.uk](mailto:dkaye@thehambleschool.co.uk). The closing date for applications is Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

**[www.thehambleschool.co.uk](http://www.thehambleschool.co.uk)**

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If you require further information, please email Diane Kaye, Clerk to the Governors, on the above email address or telephone the school.

Yours faithfully



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Headteacher



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Chair of Governors

*Guidelines and information for prospective governors, together with full details about how vacancies are filled can be found on the Hampshire County Council website at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/governors/volunteer>*

*Please note that, for the protection of children, all governor appointments are subject to an identity check.*

*The definition of Parent for this purpose is:*

- all-natural parents whether they are married or not;*
- any person who has parental responsibility for a child or young person;*
- any person who has care of a child or young person, i.e. lives with and looks after the child.*

*If there are more applications than vacancies, we will hold an election.*

*If, at any time, you should require special arrangements to be made when visiting the school and/or in order to participate fully in supporting your child at school (e.g. an accessible venue for meetings, if you are a wheelchair user, assistance with translation of documents or enlarged copies of communications etc.), please do not hesitate to let us know.*