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Dear Parents and Carers,

Have you thought about becoming a School Governor?

Becoming a governor offers you the opportunity to make a real contribution to the life and work of our school. School governors play a key role in the leadership of the school and work together with staff to make sure that our school provides a challenging and supportive environment for its pupils.

There are currently vacancies for two parent governors on the governing body at St John's and we are looking for enthusiastic and committed individuals to put their names forward. Being a governor can be very rewarding and will provide you with the opportunity to meet new people and gain new skills. Do not worry if you have no experience in education matters as training and support are available from the Local Authority and your colleagues on the governing body.

Who can be a Parent Governor? All parents and carers of pupils at St John's are eligible to become parent governors. Every parent, whether or not you live with the pupil, is entitled to be nominated as a parent governor and to vote in a parent governor election. Someone who has parental responsibility or day to day care of a pupil is also eligible to serve and to vote.

What would I be committing to? Governors typically attend three or four evening meetings a term. In addition, governors are encouraged to attend activities and events during the school day where their other commitments allow, for example school assemblies and monitoring activities. There is also the opportunity to contribute to projects such as the development of school polices.

How long do Governors serve for? The term of office is four years from the date of appointment. If you chose to, you can complete your term of office if your child leaves St John's part way through your term.

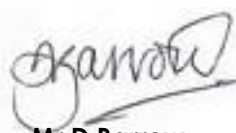
How do I apply to be a Governor? If you would like to put your name forward for the parent governor positions please complete a nomination form, paper or electronic copies of which can be obtained by contacting the school office. Please return the form to the school office, marked for the attention of the Clerk to Governors, by 4.00pm on Monday 31st October 2016. In the event that more than two nominations are received, an election will be held and ballot papers for this will be sent to all parents and carers.

If you are interested and would like to find out more about being a school governor then please contact us here at school and we will be happy to answer any questions that you may have. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



Mr T Martin
Chair of Governors



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Head Teacher