**Nomination Form for the election of a parent governor at Loxwood Primary School**

**Nomination Form for Election of a Parent Governor, March 2022**

Full name of candidate ………………………………………………………………………………

Address of candidate ………………………………………………………………………………

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Contact number ………………………………………………………………………………

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Parent/Legal Guardian of Name…………………………………………… Year ………….

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I wish to stand for election as a Parent Governor of the above school.

The following two parents or legal guardians of children attending the school support my nomination:

**Nomination 1**

**Supporting Signature Address**

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**Nomination 2**

**Supporting Signature Address**

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**Brief election statement:**

Please provide no more than 2 paragraphs highlighting why you would like to become a parent governor. Please feel free to reference any professional or personal experience that you have that would support your application.

Signature of candidate\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent Governor**

**Role description**

As a Governor at Loxwood Primary School, you will play a key role in the strategic leadership and governance of the school. Your responsibilities will include:

* Attending approximately 6 meetings per year
* Undertaking Governor Support visits, where you will work alongside a member of the teaching or leadership team and listen to pupil voice within the school. These take place either termly or yearly dependant on the subject. They usually take place during the school day.
* Attend mandatory safeguarding training once each school year
* Attend 3-4 core Governor training sessions held virtually or in person with West Sussex County Council (WSCC)
* Being a local ambassador for the school

**Governor meetings**

Our meetings taken place on the school site, usually between 6-8:00pm in the evening. There are no set dates for meetings, but these are pre-agreed in July of each school year. During these meetings you will work collaboratively with fellow Governors and the leadership team to make important decisions regarding the school’s direction, budget, policies, and development. During these meetings, you will review and discuss progress reports, academic performance, and school improvement plans, providing support, insights, and constructive feedback. You will also help ensure that the school is meeting its statutory responsibilities and achieving its goals for students’ well-being and success. During these meetings we do not discuss individual pupil performance or in any way identify individual pupils.

**Governor support visits**

In addition to attending meetings, you will support Governor support visits, where you will have the chance to observe the school in action, engage with staff and students, and deepen your understanding of school life. Each Governor is responsible for a particular subject are of the curriculum and you will be introduced to the subject leaders within the school.

**Governor Committees**

As a board we do not hold any other regular committees, aside from the Finance Committee. We do have a list of other ad-hoc committees that Governors are asked to be a part of, but these only meet as required.

**Governor ambassador**

As a Governor, you will also serve as an ambassador for the school within the local community, promoting its values, fostering positive relationships, and acting as a voice for the school in external matters.

**Governor Induction and Training**

As a new Governor we will support and provide you with induction and training, either within our board or alongside WSCC training and national training. There is a huge range of training which you can access for free, should you wish to. There are 3-4 core areas that we require all Governors to undertake, including Safeguarding which is a legal requirement.

**Parent Governors** are really important to Loxwood Primary School, as they bring a unique and valuable perspective from the parent community. Your direct involvement as a parent allows you to represent the interests and concerns of other families, ensuring that the school’s decisions are aligned with the needs and values of those it serves. Parent Governors also help strengthen the connection between the school and its community, providing insight into how policies and practices impact students and their families. Your contribution as a parent will help ensure the school remains a supportive, inclusive, and successful environment for all its students.

**Useful information**

Whilst we welcome Parent Governor applications, we are required to inform you that certain individuals may be disqualified from holding office. These include:

* If they have been adjudged bankrupt,
* or convicted of an offence and have had passed on them a sentence of imprisonment for a period of not less than three months without the option of a fine,
* or convicted of an offence and fined under either Section 40 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 or Section 547 of the Education Act 1996.

All Governors may be a governor of no more than two school governing bodies.

All Governors must provides appropriate DBS identification for checks as part of our safeguarding procedures.