



Do you want to be a school governor?

Are you enthusiastic, committed and interested in the education and well being of our young people? Have you ever thought of being a school governor? There are some governor vacancies coming up and this may be the opportunity to contribute to Richmond School.

A governor term lasts for four years. Governors come from all sections of the community: parents, staff at the school, businesses and local community representatives – in fact almost anyone. There is always a need for enthusiastic and committed people to serve as governors. Being a governor can be very rewarding. You don't need any special qualifications – just a commitment to help schools do the best they can for **all** our children.

The vacancies have arisen as people move on in their jobs or as their children leave school. It has therefore opened up some opportunities.

The vacancies are for:

- parent governors – elected by and from parents of registered pupils at the school. These vacancies will be advertised at the beginning of next term – if you are interested, let us know now and we will ensure that you receive information
- community governors – are intended to be representative of the local community and may add particular kinds of expertise. At the moment we are looking for someone who has expertise in the health or extended schools field. Have you got some knowledge of these areas or do you know someone that has? You may have other skills that you think you can contribute to the school. If so, let us know.

There is information on the make up of the governing body and its roles and responsibilities on <http://www.northyorks.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=2985>

Schools are fascinating places and being a governor can be very enjoyable and worthwhile. We are also coming to an interesting stage at Richmond School as we look to appoint a new head and parts of the building programme are completed and ready for opening, before the next stage of building takes place.

If you want further information or to talk about the possibility of becoming a governor, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me via the school (01748-828116).

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