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ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNOR

Dear Parents/Carers,

We now have two posts available for a parent to join the governing body at Smithdown Primary and be part of our exciting and dedicated team. I write to you, to invite nominations to fill this vacancy.

The successful candidate will become a full member of the Governing Body and serve for two years with effect from February 2025.

To be eligible for election, your child must be a registered pupil of this school when the election takes place.

Governing Body meetings of this school are usually held one per term and last for approximately two hours.

As a parent governor, your role is no different to other governors and you will be able to provide a parental perspective to the issues discussed. There are no specific qualifications or requirements – every governing board needs a balance and a range of knowledge, skills and experience and just as our school is incredibly diverse and culturally rich, it is vital our governing board reflects this.

More information can be found at https://liverpool.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-governors/

It is important that appropriate checks are made on anybody who will be working in a school to prevent unsuitable people from gaining access to the children. Accordingly, new governors <u>must</u> agree to provide proof of identity and undergo a check in line with current advice issued by the Department for Education.

If you wish to have further information regarding being a governor I am happy to answer your queries.

If you wish to be considered as Parent Governor of Smithdown Primary School then please show your interest by filling in the nomination available at the school office or on our website https://smithdownprimary.com/about-us/governors/

including a statement of no more than 300 words saying why you are interested in volunteering and what skills you would bring to the role. Return it to school by 31.01.25. If there are more than 2 candidates, a ballot will be cast once all nominations have been verified.

Mr P.Horne Head Teacher