

Dear parents and carers

Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy on the governing body for a parent governor. Further information about this can be found at the bottom of this newsletter.



Invitation for Coffee!



We would like to get to know all parents so we thought having a coffee and perhaps a few biscuits is the best way to do it.

We would like to invite you to pop in for an informal chat on **Wednesday 20th September, 9am – 10am** in the school hall.

There will be refreshments available too!

Mrs Johnston, our Chair of Governors will be there to chat to you too, especially if we have any parents interested in becoming a school governor.

Mrs Beech, Mr Worthington, Mrs Wilkinson & Miss Yates

Calendar of events

Date	Event	Extra information
Wednesday 20 th September	Coffee with the leadership team	Relaxed 'chat' with the senior leaders in school
Friday 22 nd September	Jeans for Genes charity day	Children can come to school wearing denim items and make a donation towards this wonderful charity.
Monday 25 th September	Year 4 trip	Trip to Think Tank – rearranged from July.
Mon 25 th – 29 th September	PANTS week in school	A detailed information letter will be shared next week. You can follow this link for more information https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/

Friday 29 th September	Feed the Farm Friday	Pupils can come to school in non-uniform and make a donation towards the running of the school farm.
Wednesday 4 th October	9am Read, Write Inc (RWI) meeting for EYFS parents	Read, Write Inc is the programme we follow to teach children to read. Please attend this meeting so that you know what we do and how you can help.
Wednesday 11 th October & Wednesday 18 th October	Parents' Evening appointments	Appointment slips will be sent out at the end of September.
Wednesday 25 th October	Halloween disco	Timings will be shared closer to the date.
Friday 27 th October	Break up for half term	
Monday 6 th November	TEACHER TRAINING DAY	School is closed to pupils
Tuesday 7 th November	Children return to school	Children return at the usual time
Wednesday 8 th November	Photographer in school	
Wednesday 8 th November	Flu vaccinations	
Mon 13 th – Fri 17 th November	R.E.S.P.E.C.T. assemblies	Parents of children nominated to receive a RESPECT badge will be invited in to school.
Friday 24 th November	Feed the Farm Friday	Pupils can come to school in non-uniform and make a donation towards the running of the school farm.
Wednesday 13 th December	School Christmas Fair 3:45pm – 5:30pm	
Friday 22 nd December	Feed the Farm Friday	Pupils can come to school in non-uniform and make a donation towards the running of the school farm.
	End of Term	Children break up for Christmas at 1:30pm



**BECOME A MEMBER OF PINFOLD STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL'S
GOVERNING BODY**

We are looking for a parent to join the Governing Body of Pinfold Street Primary School.

Being a governor offers a unique insight into the work of the school at a strategic level. It allows you to step inside the workings of a school and gain an overview of how the whole school is performing, what needs improving and how is that improvement planned?

It gives you the opportunity to voice your opinions and vote on key decisions affecting any changes. It gives you first-hand experience of school leadership and management and additional, sometimes confidential, information about a wide range of school matters.

There are 5 full governing body meetings across the school year. They are held on Monday evenings, starting at 5pm. Each meeting usually lasts around 2 hours each.

Governors are also invited to visit school during the day and see learning in action.

You may elect to become a link governor for a subject or area. This involves a meeting with a member of staff reporting your findings to the link governor report once a year. Some additional meetings take place during the school day.

Governors will need to attend a few training sessions, some led in school and some led by the National Association of Governors, which can be accessed virtually.

All parents within our school community are eligible and we are very keen to recruit new faces to our team of governors.

If you are interested in becoming a governor and wish to discuss this, please contact Mrs Beech at the school; alternatively please complete the below nomination form (self-nomination is acceptable), and return to the school by **Monday 25th September**.

If there are several parents wishing to be a governor, an election may be held and if so, you will be sent a voting paper. Completed voting forms will be counted at a time mutually agreed between me and the candidates within a week of the closing date for votes and all parents will be notified of the result.

Vera Johnston, Chair of Governors

Toni Beech, Headteacher

If you are interested in this opportunity, but do not wish to be involved in an election, please do still contact Mrs Beech to explore this with her.

Nomination Form for Election Parent Governors

I, Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms

of (full address)

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parent of

wish to stand for election as a Parent Governor of Pinfold Street Primary School.

Please write a few things:

- About yourself
- Why you wish to be a governor and
- what you can offer the governing body (not more than 200 words).

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Continue overleaf if necessary

Signed Date