



Denmead Junior School

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Dear parent and carers,

Governor Vacancies

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor (and another governor) which we are looking to fill as soon as possible. Denmead Junior School has always aimed for a partnership with parents and this undoubtedly brings great benefits to the children. One of the most significant ways you can help in promoting this aim is to volunteer to be a parent governor.

The governing body's main tasks are:

- to ensure that the school has a clear vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- to hold the Head Teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils;
- to oversee the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

Parent governors are welcomed as valued members of the team and play a vital role in ensuring the governing body is aware of the views of parents and the local community. We feel sure that there are parents prepared to take on this important role and give their time and commitment to helping us to continue to improve the school's performance. Any person who has parental responsibility or care of a child (i.e. lives with and looks after the child) registered at Denmead Junior School is eligible to apply. For our other governor vacancy these criteria don't apply.

In particular, if you have knowledge and experience in community and/or diversity matters this would strengthen and compliment the skills, experience and attributes that the governing body currently has. However, this is not essential to fulfilling the role.

Training and support will be available to help you develop into the role. This will include in-house mentoring and support as well as access to external governor training which is available free of charge.

More information about our Governing Body can be found on the school's website. You should also look at the information for prospective governors on the Hampshire County Council website where you will find video, e-learning and written information on the site to help you decide if the role is right for you.

(<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/governors/volunteer>)

If there are more applications than vacancies, we will hold an election and you will be sent a voting paper in due course. If you are interested, please contact the office for an application form which will need to be completed and returned to the school by 12.00 noon on Monday 2nd March.

If you would like to discuss this role further before putting in an application please don't hesitate to contact the Chair of Governors, Mr Glenn Taylor on DJS-Chair@amadyss.co.uk

Yours sincerely,

Mr Glenn Taylor (Chair)
Mrs Elaine Viner (Head Teacher)

