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## *'Aim higher, reach further and shine brighter'*

Dear Parents and Members of the Community,

### **Governor Vacancies at New Marston Primary School**

Have you thought about developing your skills, both personally and professionally and becoming a School Governor at a school in your area?

The role and functions of the Local Governing Body of a school are to:

1. Provide clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction.
2. Oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure its money is well spent.
3. Hold the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils.

We have Governor vacancies at New Marston Primary School, Headington suitable for parents and members of the community who wish to develop their skills around governance and strategic leadership. A background in education is not essential as we require Governors from a diverse range of backgrounds and training will be given.

### **About New Marston Primary School:**

Based in New Marston, our school is part of the River Learning Trust, a multi-academy trust that includes primary and secondary schools from the Oxfordshire area.

Through a rich, challenging and ambitious curriculum, we prepare our children at New Marston Primary School to contribute actively and positively to their wider world. We insist on the perfect environment for happiness and hard work and our school is a calm, happy culture, based on mutual kindness, respect and exciting learning opportunities.

Our recent [Ofsted](#) in 2019 rated us 'Good' in all areas of the inspection.



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**Time Commitment and Training for Governors:** Our Governor Board meetings are held 4 times a year on weekday evenings from 6-8pm and Governors are also allocated to either the resources committee or the impact committee which requires another 2 hours of time per term.

The Trust runs regular training sessions for all levels of Governor with networking opportunities to meet with Governors from other schools within the Trust.

**Skills:** We are particularly looking for parent governors with a passion to get involved in their local school and/or community members with experience outside of the education sector. Experience outside of the local area - either nationally across the UK or internationally would also be interesting to us. Our aim is to recruit governors from diverse backgrounds with a wide range of experiences. Most importantly you need to have a caring attitude, willingness to get involved and a desire to do the right thing by our pupils.

**How to Apply:**

If you are interested in this vacancy please contact Jane Johnson, Clerk to Governors, at [jjohnson@nmps.org.uk](mailto:jjohnson@nmps.org.uk) with a letter expressing the reasons for your interest in the role and:

- The skills and experience you have that make you an ideal candidate.
- Your commitment to undertake training to become an effective governor.
- How you plan to contribute to the future work of the governing board

Successful candidates will be invited for a short virtual interview with the Chair of Governors and the Headteacher.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Jane Johnson

Clerk to Governors