

# Cornerstone Church of England (VA) Primary School

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*Building our Community with Love, Forgiveness and Hope*  
*Growing an Inspirational Learning Community*

11<sup>th</sup> November 2016

## Parent Governor Vacancy

Dear Parents,

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. As you know, Cornerstone always aims for a partnership with parents which undoubtedly brings great benefits to the children. One of the most significant ways you can help in promoting this is to volunteer to be a parent governor.

The Governing Body's main tasks are:

- to ensure that the school has a clear and effective vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- to hold the headteacher 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 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 help us to continue to improve the school's performance and grow an inspirational learning community.

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. If you feel you can help in this capacity, please **contact the school office for an application form** which will need to be completed and **returned to the school by 12 noon on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016**.

All governors commit to attending meetings of the Full Governing Body five times a year and at least one additional committee meeting each term. All governors also take on additional responsibilities for areas such as linking with specific classes, monitoring the implementation of strategic objectives or supporting the development of our planned new facilities. If you would like to know more about the work of our Governing Body before applying, please speak to Mr Clarke or our Chair of Governors Rev Sandy Matheson.

You can also find out more about school governance, what governors do, the time commitment required and different types of school governors via the following link:

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/education/governors/gov-volunteer/whatgovernorsdo.htm>

Please note that for safeguarding reasons, all governor appointments are subject to a DBS (previously CRB) check. If there are more applications than vacancies, we will hold an election and you will be sent voting papers in due course.

Yours sincerely

  
Tim Clarke  
Headteacher

*Rev S Matheson*  
Sandy Matheson  
Chair of Governors

***"This is a happy school where pupils achieve well in terms of their personal, as well as academic development and are growing up as responsible caring young people." Ofsted 2015***