

WHITELEY CHURCH



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Dear Cornerstone parents

Church-School Links

1. Vacancy for a Foundation Governor

In a Church of England school Foundation Governors are governors who have an active Christian faith and are part of a church or worshipping community. As a C of E Voluntary Aided Primary School Cornerstone's Governing body has to have a majority by 2 of Foundation Governors. Often Foundation Governors in C of E schools come from the local C of E churches, and 6 of Cornerstone's current governing body are members of Whiteley Church or St Paul's Sarisbury. 1 Foundation Governor with highly relevant professional skills comes from St Jude's Portsmouth. We currently have one vacancy for a Foundation Governor and would very much like to encourage the appointment of a Cornerstone parent who fulfils the criteria. Please note that we consider our regular Messy Church families to be part of Whiteley Church.

Further details and guidance on the role of Foundation Governors in Church schools in Portsmouth and Winchester Dioceses can be found here (copy in school office):
http://portsmouth.anglican.org/uploads/media/FGovsNotesofGuidance05-07-2014_01.pdf

The names(s) of anyone willing to stand as a Foundation Governor must be submitted to Whiteley Church Council which is then responsible for nominating candidates to Portsmouth Diocese for approval and appointment.

If you feel you might be called to this role and are willing to stand, or would like to talk about it, please speak to Mr Clarke, Reverend Matheson and/or Reverend Philippa by Friday 3rd February 2017.

2. Open the Book Collective Worship Team

Open the Book is a charity which produces excellent resources for telling Bible stories in school collective worship. To be able to use the resources a church and school need a team of people who fulfil different roles:

- Some to be present at collective worship, sharing in directing the children and reading the script
- Some to make costumes and props
- Some to pray for the team

Reverend Philippa would very much like to start an Open the Book team for Cornerstone. She needs some of the team to be able to work with her to lead collective worship on Thursday afternoons. Those team members who would be directly involved in the collective worship would need to be available from 2.15pm on Thursdays.

If you are interested in any of the roles listed as part of an Open the Book team please contact Reverend Philippa. If there is sufficient interest a meeting will be arranged

Every Blessing

Philippa J. Mills