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Dear Parents

ELECTION OF a PARENT GOVERNOR

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor to join our Governing Body and have recently received several expressions of interest. As a result we are required to hold an election to fill this vacancy and will be doing so in the New Year.

As many of you may already know, the governing body has an extremely important role: it is responsible for working strategically in partnership with the headteacher and staff to identify the most important aspects of the school that need to be improved, approving plans to achieve this and ensuring progress. All governors receive training to help them carry out their role. Oxfordshire Governor Services runs special induction courses for new governors – we expect all our governors to attend this training.

Parents or anyone who has parental responsibility for a pupil on the school roll at the time of the election can stand for election. You can nominate someone for election and can vote in the election.

Parent governors, like all governors, will be most effective if they bring relevant skills and experience, as well as the ability to work as part of a team. We will therefore ask candidates to provide us with a brief resume of their background and skills and their reasons for wishing to join the Governing Body.

All nominations should be sent in for the attention of Clerk to the Governors, to the school office on office@wgswitney.org.uk by Friday 15th January 2016. You can nominate yourself. Every nomination must include confirmation from the candidate stating that they are willing to stand.

On 22nd January 2016 we will send out ballot forms to all parents with the names of the candidates and their details home with the children so please watch out for the letter and we would encourage you all to vote.

If you would like to know a little more about becoming a parent governor, please take a look at our Governors page on the school website.

Yours faithfully

Hilary Pillin
Chair of Governors