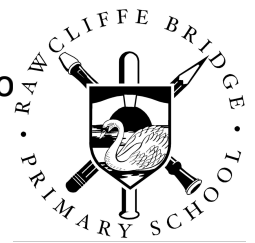




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NEWSLETTER - 2.10.2020

Congratulations Mr and Mrs Dean

It is great to be able to celebrate the wonderful news that Mrs Dean is expecting again. We hope everything goes well throughout her pregnancy and we will be going through the recruitment process soon for a replacement when she goes off mid-March (all being well).

Online Payment System

We are currently in the process of setting up an online payment system so that both schools can operate a cashless system. This should be finalised in the next week or so, so keep a look out for further information and log-in details from the office.

As well as getting the chance to see a live professional Rugby League game at the KCOM Stadium, our children will take part in the 'magic moments' as flag bearers, guards of honour and players' walkouts before kick-off, as well as a school pitch-side parade during the half time interval.

Further details will be sent out closer to the time but we have been assured that there will be no limit to the number of tickets we can sell (£10 adults/£5 Juniors) for the 7:45 'kick off' experience.

Parents' Consultation

This term's parents' evenings are more important than ever and will take place on 19th, 20th and 21st October. Please ensure you book the most appropriate slot, which will need to be closely adhered to due to being held remotely on Microsoft TEAMS. If you are unable to 'attend' on one of the allocated dates, please don't hesitate to let your child's class teacher know and we'll be only too happy to accommodate you on another day.

Emergency Welfare Assistance

Due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, central government have provided funding to the council to allow us to offer financial support to help households in the East Riding. Eligible applicants will have experienced a reduction in their income of at least 20% which is the result of COVID-19 and do not have savings available to afford essential items.

East Riding residents may request assistance with food and toiletries, gas and electric bills, nappies for children aged three and under, and travel costs to work or pre-booked hospital appointments.



Applications for the Emergency Assistance Grant Scheme can be made by visiting: www.eastriding.gov.uk/living/emergency-assistance or by calling the Benefits contact centre on 01482 394799. Full details of the scheme are available on the council's website.

Class Dojo Home-School Agreement

Your child will be bringing this home today. We appreciate you taking the time to read it carefully so that you can sign and return it to school by Friday 9th October please. Thank you.

Parent Governor Vacancy

Can you help shape the future of our schools?

We need parents of pupils registered at either school to make a difference in our schools' community by volunteering to become parent governors.

Currently we have 1 vacancy for parent governor on the governing body of The Federation of Rawcliffe Bridge and Rawcliffe Primary School.

Your voice as a parent is very important to our schools and it is vital that the governing body has good representation by our parents among its membership.

Information about the role

Once elected or appointed a parent governor takes on the role of a school governor, a public volunteer. All governors are equal, no category of governor is any more important or influential than any other. Parent governors exercise a strategic parental voice on the governing body.

If you are interested, more detailed information on the role of governors will be provided. It is important that this is read to understand the role, expectations and commitment before applying. Alternatively, you will be encouraged to discuss the role with one of our governors.

What can you offer as a parent governor?

- Enthusiasm, time and commitment.
- Your local knowledge will be valuable: you will have a feel for what is important to people.
- Any professional or other skills you may have will be very helpful.
- An openness to learning and change, and wanting to make a difference.
- Governors also provide objectivity in debate and decision-making and can add further and different perspectives to school matters.

What are the benefits?

- Being a school governor is a privilege - you are a small but very important part in an educational system with a very long history.
- The knowledge that you have played a part in improving local children's education and supported the school's staff.
- A chance to develop new skills, to practice and strengthen existing ones, such as chairing a meeting, researching or leading on a key school issue.
- The opportunity to work as part of a team to make a real difference in the community.
- The opportunity to meet new people from all walks of life whom you probably would not have otherwise encountered.
- Knowing that the decisions you collectively make will have a huge impact on children's lives.
- You develop as a person and may even find that your experiences as a governor influence future career and life choices.

If you are interested in volunteering, here's what you should do ...

- 1) Please check that you are eligible to stand as a parent governor. The definition of "parent" includes:
 - all natural parents, whether they are married or not: and
 - any person who, although not a natural parent, has parental responsibility for a child or young person; and
 - "Parent" is defined as including "any individual who has or has had parental responsibility for, or cares or has cared for, a child or young person under the age of 18". It includes a person who the child lives



with and who looks after the child, irrespective of what their relationship is with the child. The reference in the definition must be to someone involved in the full-time care of the child on a settled basis.

There are some criteria which can disqualify you from serving as any type of governor. This list is given in the nomination form. If you are applying, then you must confirm that you are not disqualified by those criteria.

- 2) Please nominate yourself by completing the attached nomination form.
- 3) ***Please ensure that your completed nomination form is returned to the school by 4:00pm on Thursday 15th October.*** There is a Nomination Box in the school Reception area for the collection of nominations.

What happens after the nomination deadline has passed?

Any nominations received after the deadline will not be accepted.

If the school receives more nominations than there are vacancies, then we will hold an election and parents will be asked to take part in a secret ballot to vote for the candidate(s) they feel would be most suitable as a parent governor. The information you supply as part of your nomination will be circulated to parents to help them decide who to vote for. Your personal contact details will not be distributed. This is for governing body purposes only.

If the school receives the same amount of nominations as there are vacancies, then those nominees are deemed to be 'elected unopposed' and become parent governors without the need for an election.

If no parents nominate themselves by the deadline given above, then the governing body become responsible for appointing parent governors to fill the vacancies. If they can't find volunteers at our school then they may seek parent volunteers from other schools.

If an election needs to take place then I will inform all nominees personally, and all parents in writing, providing the details of how to vote and the deadline for doing so.

If there are any questions or you need further information, please let me know as soon as possible.

Please don't hesitate to email the office if you require a paper nomination form to be sent home, thank you.



Parent Governor Nomination Form

The Federation of Rawcliffe Bridge and Rawcliffe Primary School

I am a parent of a pupil registered at the school and hereby nominate myself for election as a parent governor of the school.

I understand that if elected I may have to undergo an identity check. I also understand that I will be required to complete a Declaration Form and will be subject to an ISA/List 99 check or DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check.

This nomination form, of which page 3 will be included in any voting paper, is duly completed and attached.

Nominee's Name

(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Other)

Pupil's Name(s)

Pupil's Class(s)

Signature

Nomination seconded by*

Seconder's Name

(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Other)

Pupil's Name(s)

Pupil's Class(s)



Address

Signature

*The seconder must be a parent of a pupil at the school.

Nominee's Application Details

Personal details (please print)

Full name (including title)

Address

<i>Postcode</i>

Email address (if any)

Contact numbers

Home

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Personal information (please tick ✓ all applicable boxes)

- I am a teaching member of staff at the school who is also a parent of a pupil at the school. I am not paid to work at the school for more than 500 hours in a consecutive 12 month period.
- I am a non-teaching member of staff at the school who is also a parent of a pupil at the school. I am not paid to work at the school for more than 500 hours in a consecutive 12 month period.



- I am a parent of a pupil registered at the school.

Data protection

The information that you provide on this form will be held on a computerised database maintained by the data controller (the School as named on page 1) upon successful appointment/election. Your data will be used in accordance with the principles set out in the Data Protection Act 2018, which protects the right to privacy of individuals whose personal details are held by the data controller. The School will only make candidate details available within the federation, the local authority or any other body involved with the recruitment of school governors for the Federation of Rawcliffe Bridge and Rawcliffe Primary Schools.

Parent Governor Nominee - Personal Statement

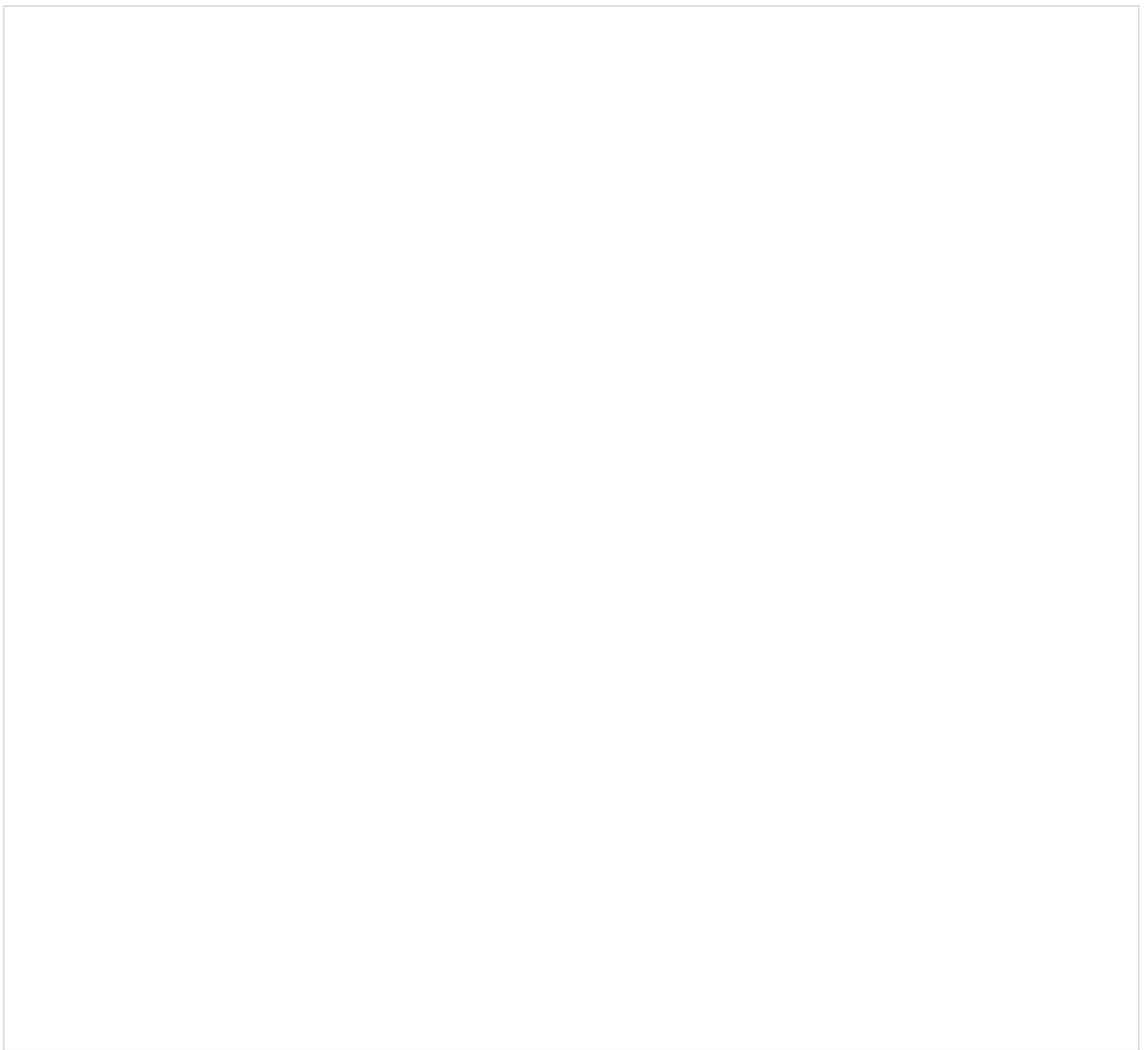
Please note that this page will be sent to all parents as support for your nomination.

Please complete this form in no more than 250 words, either in clear handwriting or by word processing using the electronic form supplied by the school. This form may not be altered in anyway.

Full name (including title)

My reasons for wanting to be a parent governor, including the skills and qualities I could bring to the governing body.





Declaration

A governor must be aged 18 or over at the time of their election or appointment and cannot be a registered pupil at the school. A person cannot hold more than one governorship at the same school.

A person is disqualified from holding or from continuing to hold office as a governor if he or she:

- becomes incapable by reason of mental disorder, illness or injury of managing or administering his own affairs;
- fails to attend the governing body meetings – without the consent of the governing body – for a continuous period of six months, beginning with the date of the first meeting missed;
- if he would be disqualified from acting as a charity trustee by virtue of section 72 of the Charities Act 1993 (or any statutory re-enactment or modification of that provision).
- if:-
 - his estate has been sequestrated and the sequestration has not been discharged, annulled or reduced;
 - he is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim order.
- at any time when he is:-
 - included in the list of teachers and workers with children or young persons whose employment is prohibited or restricted under section 1 of the Protection of Children Act 1999; or
 - disqualified from working with children under section 28, 29, 29A and 29B of the Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000.
- if he is a person in respect of whom a direction has been made under section 142 of the Education Act 2002.
- where he has, at any time, been convicted of any criminal offence, excluding any that have been spent under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 as amended, and excluding any offence for which the maximum sentence is a fine or a lesser sentence except where a person has been convicted of any offence which falls under section 72 of the Charities Act 1993.
- if he has not complied with the Trust's DBS policies. Governors are required to be familiar with the DBS policies and must act in compliance with them.

Where a person becomes disqualified from holding, or continuing to hold office as a Governor and he is, or is proposed, to become such a Governor, he shall upon becoming so disqualified give written notice of that fact to the Clerk.

I confirm that I am not disqualified from serving because of the criteria listed above.

I confirm that in the event that I am elected/appointed I will notify the clerk to the governing body immediately should I become disqualified during my term of office.

I agree that the information given on this form is being recorded and used by the Federation of Rawcliffe Bridge and Rawcliffe Primary School in accordance with the Data Protection Act and confirm that it is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signed

Date

Print Name:



