



Role Description: Parent Governor

School: Rucstall Primary School, Basingstoke

Role Type: Voluntary

Term of Office: 4 years (standard)

About the Role

Rucstall Primary School is seeking a committed and enthusiastic Parent Governor to join our Governing Body. This is a rewarding opportunity for parents to play a key role in shaping the strategic direction of the school and supporting the best possible outcomes for all pupils.

As a Parent Governor, you will work collaboratively with other governors and school leaders to ensure the school continues to provide a safe, inclusive, and high-quality education that reflects the values and ethos of Rucstall Primary School.

Key Responsibilities

Parent Governors are not representatives of individual parents, but act in the best interests of the whole school community. Responsibilities include:

- Helping to set the strategic vision and direction of the school
- Holding the Headteacher and senior leaders to account for educational performance
- Supporting and monitoring the school's financial performance and ensuring value for money
- Ensuring statutory duties are met, including those relating to safeguarding, health and safety, and equality
- Upholding and promoting the school's values, ethos, and commitment to pupil wellbeing
- Attending governing body meetings (usually in the evening) and participating in committees or link roles
- Engaging in training and development to be effective in the role

Skills and Experience

No previous governance experience is required, full training and support will be provided. We are particularly keen to hear from parents who can bring skills, knowledge, or experience in any of the following areas:

- Finance or budgeting

- Safeguarding
- Health and safety
- Education or child development
- Strategic thinking or leadership

If you have experience in any of these areas, we would love your support in joining the team. However, enthusiasm, commitment, and a willingness to learn are just as important.

Personal Qualities

We are looking for someone who:

- Is committed to the success and wellbeing of all pupils
- Can think strategically and ask constructive questions
- Works well as part of a team and respects confidentiality
- Is willing to give time and energy to the role
- Shares and supports the values of Rucstall Primary School

What We Offer

The opportunity to make a real difference to children's education

Training and ongoing support

A welcoming, supportive governing body

The chance to develop new skills and gain valuable experience