



*Striving for Excellence*

# Cirencester Kingshill School

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## Become a School Governor at Cirencester Kingshill

### Parent Governor Information Sheet

#### BACKGROUND

The governing body of Cirencester Kingshill has 19 governor positions, of which seven are for parent governors. Parent governors are elected by their fellow parents and are vital to a governing body because they ensure that the other governors are kept in touch with the concerns and issues of most importance to parents.

#### CHARACTERISTICS AND ROLE OF SCHOOL GOVERNORS

Governors are people who wish to make a positive contribution to the school and the education of its children. They will contribute to the effective day-to-day running of the school and have an effective input towards the educational achievements of its pupils.

A governing body's overriding responsibility is to work in partnership with the head teacher to promote continuous improvement in the performance of the school. This involves the establishment of a development plan, the setting of challenging but achievable targets and the interpretation of information to assess progress and determine appropriate action. Aligned to its improvement role, the governing body is there to be a critical friend who can provide the right balance between supporting and challenging the performance of the school.

#### BECOMING A PARENT GOVERNOR

Being a parent governor can be stimulating, enjoyable and rewarding. If you have the enthusiasm and desire to become involved in the running of your child's school then please consider putting yourself forward for vacancies that arise. Parent Governors are an important component in achieving an effective and well-balanced governing body.

All governors are expected to join one of the governor committees in whichever area they have most expertise. The governor committees are Curriculum & Pastoral, Finance, Buildings and Health & Safety. Parents with knowledge in the areas of finance and buildings would be particularly helpful.

#### WHO TO CONTACT

If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor please contact:  
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