Bevendean Primary School



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A place for everyone to succeed and thrive

Bevendean Primary School is looking for

ADDITIONAL GOVERNORS



We need you !!! Come and help make a difference!

Are you:	Do you:
• Able to communicate?	• Like working with a team?
• Willing to learn?	Have leadership experience?
• Prepared to challenge?	 Know about budgets?
Ready to speak up?	Have analytical skills?

Our school governing body is made up of members of different stakeholder groups (parents, staff, community, and local authority). When all vacancies are filled, we will have 14 governors (the Headteacher, 2 parent governors, 1 elected staff governor, 1 local authority appointment and 9 co-opted governors). Governors contribute to the work of the governing body in raising standards of achievements for all pupils. This involves providing a strategic view for the school; both supporting and challenging; and ensuring accountability.

We currently have vacancies for:

- 2 parent Governors (to be elected by parents and carers)
- 2 co-opted Governors (appointed by application to the Governing Body on the basis of required skills)

If you would like to become a Governor please e-mail the Clerk to the Governing Body, Andy Thomas, to put forward your name or request further information: <u>andrewthomas@bevendean.brighton-hove.sch.uk</u>

The closing date for confirming that you wish to be considered for a Governor role is **Friday <u>24 March at 9.00 am</u>**. If we receive more than two applications for parent governor, an election will be held (for which you will be asked to provide a written statement and about which further information will be provided). Applicants for the co-opted Governor vacancies will be asked to complete an application form which will be considered at a Governing Body meeting at the end of March.

Time commitment

The term for a co-opted governor is four years. There are five full governing body meetings per year, which all governors are expected to attend. The times and dates vary and are set a year in advance. There are also committee meetings each term and we ask all governors to be a member of at least one of these. These meetings are all held after the school day finishes and childcare is provided when necessary.

Training

You would be expected to complete the governor induction programme provided by the local authority. There are also other training courses you can attend as required and there are online learning modules you can undertake in your own time. We do encourage our governors to attend training courses as an effective way of keeping in touch with changes in education and as support for performing effectively and beneficially as governors. We are immensely fortunate in having the Governor Support team at Brighton & Hove who are very supportive and always ready to help.

Governor responsibilities

- Developing the strategic plan for the school
- Determining aims, policies and priorities for the school
- Setting statutory and non-statutory targets
- Monitoring and evaluating the work of the school
- Appointing staff and ensuring the implementation of personnel procedures
- Managing the school budget
- Securing high levels of attendance and good standards of pupil behaviour
- Ensuring that all children in the school have access to a broad and balanced curriculum which is suitable to age, aptitude and ability, preparing them for adult life
- Ensuring the health and safety of pupils

Thank you for your interest and for supporting the school.

Mark Back Chair of Governors Martyn Giddens Headteacher