

# Why not become a Parent Governor?

## What is it all about?

Your child's school has a vacancy for a parent Governor on the school's governing body.

This is your chance to play an important part in the life of your child's school and make a contribution for the benefit of all the children.

To find out more about becoming a parent Governor contact the Head Teacher of your child's school or telephone the Governors Support Service on 020 8708 8860

## What does a parent Governor do?

- As a parent Governor you are a vital link between the school and the community it serves. Your views as parent are very important.
- You work closely with the Head Teacher and staff.
- The school and the Council seek your views on a wide range of important educational issues.

## What does it involve?

- You meet other Governors at least once a term
- You get to know the school by visiting during the day at least once a year
- You will be invited to school functions

## What help and assistance can parent Governors expect?

The school, particularly the Head Teacher will give a great deal of support and information to governors, especially to new governors.

### Redbridge Children's Services provides:

- a welcome pack designed for new Governors.
- a Governors' telephone helpline to answer any questions you might have.
- free of charge, a quality training programme for Governors on a wide range of relevant topics.

Central government produces a great deal of material for school Governors which is regularly updated. [A copy of the guidelines covering Parent Governor elections may be seen in the school office.](#)

## Nomination for the election of Parent Governor at

School
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Please return this nomination form to the above school.

	Proposer	Secunder	Parent Nominated
Child's Name			
Parent's Name			
Address			
Signature			

**(Please note: a husband cannot propose a wife or vice-versa)**

The parent nominated should also supply a brief statement of no more than 100 words in support of his/her candidature. Statements of more than 100 words may be deemed null and void.

(If you wish to make a second nomination please ask the Head Teacher for another form).

If you are successful in being elected as a parent governor you will be subject to identity checks.