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Dear Parent/Carer

Parent Governor Vacancy

Our School's local governing body have a vacancy for a parent governor. We are therefore writing to all parents and carers of all students in our School to invite you stand for election as a parent governor, or to nominate another parent to do so.

Our Local Governing Body works closely with the Headteacher in all respects and in summary:

- guides the implementation of Bohunt Education Trust's overarching strategy and priorities specifically within the context of our School;
- represents and promotes the School in its local community;
- promotes the delivery and implementation of the Trust's vision and ethos to the School community;
- provides proactive support and challenge to the Head of School including with respect to educational performance;
- advises the BET Board about local issues (whether within School or the wider community) that may affect the School.

No special qualifications are needed, and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in our School, and young people, and be prepared to play an active part in the Local Governing Body's work. Training is available for all governors and this Local Governing Body has an expectation that those new to being a governor attend free training. A role description is attached.

We particularly encourage applications from those parents and carers who are from ethnic minority backgrounds, or who have a disability, and from young parents and carers. Parents and carers from these backgrounds in our community are currently under-represented within the board.

Parents/carers who have paid employment in the school for 500 or more hours per academic year are not eligible to apply. Nominations must be from parents or carers with children registered at the school on the day that nominations close.

If you are interested in the role and would like further information, then please complete the online Expression of Interest form and the Governance Team will invite you to a virtual candidate briefing to explain more about the role, including expectations and time commitment.

Following on from this, you will then be asked to complete an application from and provide a short personal statement to support your application, which should be no longer than 200 words (the Governance team can support with this). If there are more applications than vacancies, then there will be an election by secret ballot.

- Deadline for Expressions of Interest: Thursday 30th September 2026
- Candidate briefing: Friday 2nd October 2026, 1-1.30pm (via Teams).
- Deadline for applications: Tuesday 13th October 2026

We very much look forward to receiving your interest in this opportunity.

Yours sincerely



Mark Marande
Headteacher