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Monday 13th September 21

Dear Parent/Carer,

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

I am writing to you to invite you to stand for election as a parent governor, or nominate another parent to do so. In Marling School, we have provision for two parent governors and there is currently one vacancy.

The School Development Board (SBD), with the Headteacher, has overall responsibility for the running of the School. Governing bodies have three core strategic functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the School and its pupils; and
- reviewing the School's budget and ensuring it is managed effectively together with premises and other resources

No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in Marling and be prepared to play an active part in the School Development Board's work. Training is available for all governors and this governing body has an expectation that those new to being a governor attend free induction training.

The enclosed sheet summarises the circumstances under which someone cannot serve as a governor. In addition, parents/carers who have paid employment in the school for 500 or more hours per academic year or who are elected members of the Local Authority, are not eligible to stand in these elections. Nominations must be from parents or carers with children at Marling on the day that nominations close (Monday 27th September 21).

If you would like to stand for election, please complete the nomination form and return it to hik@marling.school no later than Monday 27th September 21. You may also include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words. This statement will be used in the event that there is more than one nomination, and a ballot is conducted. Self-nominations will be accepted but if you are nominating another parent, please seek their prior consent.

If there are more nominations than vacancies, the election will be by secret ballot. If that is necessary, details of the ballot procedure will be sent to all parents.

Yours faithfully,

Hannah Kelly

Clerk to Governors / Returning Officer.

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