

Being a Parent Governor

at

Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School



WHAT IS A GOVERNING BODY?

The Governing Body is a group of volunteers who help the head teacher to raise the standard of education offered in the school. The Governing Body at Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School are responsible for making sure the school provides a good quality education. Together with the Headteacher, it sets the school's aims and policies, and monitors the progress made.

WHAT DOES THE GOVERNING BODY DO?

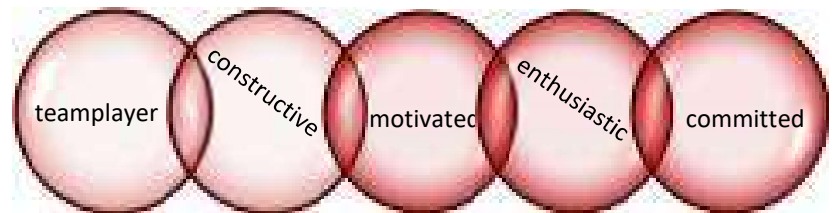
The Governing Body has three key roles:

- To ensure the school ethos and vision are promoted – strategic direction.
- To ensure the head teacher works hard to improve pupil achievement – accountability.
- To ensure best value for money from the school budget.

WHO CAN APPLY TO BE A GOVERNOR?

Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School Governing Body welcomes individuals from all backgrounds, professions and cultures.

Our aim is to build a Governing Body that reflects the makeup of the school and community it serves.



DO I NEED A QUALIFICATION IN EDUCATION?

No - Being a parent of a child at Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School is the only requirement.

WHAT SKILLS ARE BENEFICIAL?

Everyone has something to offer.

WHERE WILL I FIT IN?

At Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School, we have 3 sub-committees:

- Curriculum & Standards (TLC)
- Finance & HR (RMC)
- Head Teacher Performance

Governors serve on at least one committee depending on their individual area of knowledge and interest.

WILL IT INTERFERE WITH MY JOB?

At Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School, full governor meetings are held at 6.00pm and sub committees meet during the mornings.



Employers are obliged to allow their employees 'reasonable' time off to carry out governor duties. Speak to your employer to find out the company policy.

DO I GET PAID?

No - Governors are volunteers.

There is no payment for governor services but you may be reimbursed for out of pocket expenses in accordance with school policy.

HOW MUCH TIME WILL IT TAKE UP?



*The Full Governing Body meets six times a year. This meeting normally takes 2 hours.

*The RMC subcommittee also meets six times a year. The TLC meet approx. four times a year. These meetings vary between 1 – 2 hours.

*Training sessions are an essential part of becoming an effective governor. Local Authority training sessions normally last 2 hours. Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School also buys into online training modules that you can access at your own convenience.

*At Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School, we encourage governors to visit the school regularly so that they can see the school in action.

*Reading. Reading. Reading. At Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School, we distribute paperwork prior to meetings so that governors can read and digest the information contained. This makes governors more effective and meetings more productive.

WHAT IS IN IT FOR ME?

Being a governor can be time consuming and challenging. It can also be extremely rewarding.

At Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School, working together to promote high standards and achieving the best outcomes for our pupils is at the heart of our ethos.

There is great satisfaction in knowing that your contributions are productive and valued. There is immense pride derived from serving on the fantastic Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School team.

INTERESTED?

We are currently recruiting a Parent Governor. If you would like to apply for a position, download the application form from the link below.