

16th October 2023Dear Parent/Carer

Are you interested in becoming a Parent Governor at Coomb Briggs Primary Academy?

We are seeking a special individual to join the Governing Body of your child's school, which is part of the growing family of academies within Wellspring Academy Trust. Could this be you?

Here at Wellspring and in our school communities we are proud of our commitment to inclusive, quality education for all our learners - we believe that education is the vehicle for improved outcomes and life chances for all of our pupils and the communities surrounding them. We are passionate about our social purpose and celebrate the diverse nature of our school communities. We are keen for our governance structures to reflect the communities in which our schools are located. If you share those values and would like to help make a difference to your school and local community, then we would love to hear from you.

Your child's school has a vacancy on its governing body for a parent governor and we invite you to apply. You would need to be able to commit to attending five governing body meetings each school year and we would ask you to spend a little of your free time getting to know your school. We are particularly looking for individuals who have skills such as finance and business, but also individuals with an interest in areas such as SEND (special educational needs and disabilities), diversity, safeguarding and local community. We understand that bringing a range of perspectives makes for better decision-making so would encourage you to talk to us if you'd like to find out more.

We are seeking individuals that:

- Are self-motivated and organised
- Enjoy working as part of an inclusive and supportive team
- Are passionate about improving the life chances for young people.

What is most important to us is enthusiasm, a willingness to learn and an interest in making a difference to your child's school and community. We will provide you with the training you need to do the role.

What can we offer you in return?

- A chance to develop your own personal skills
- Access to a programme of free training in respect of education/governance matters
- A sense of achievement in helping make a difference to children reaching their potential
- Support and guidance from fellow governors

Are you interested in finding out more?

Please contact me for our Information Leaflet which explains what a governor does and what your involvement with a school would look like. I will also be happy to have an informal discussion with you about the role and what it might mean for you and to answer any questions you may have. You can contact me on 07729 105871 during office hours or by email at <u>m.gibbons@wellspringacademies.org.uk</u>. The closing date for expressions of interest for this role is Friday 3rd November 2023.

Yours sincerely

Melanie Gibbons

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