



STOUR VALLEY
— COMMUNITY SCHOOL —

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Dear Parent/Carer

Governor Vacancies

Governors are a team of volunteers who oversee the management of the school by supportively challenging the Headteacher and staff. We do this by visiting the school, speaking to staff, students and parents/carers, and meeting formally with the senior management team on a regular basis. The core aims of governance are:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the school and its students, and the effective and efficient performance management of staff
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

No experience is required - just a healthy curiosity and a willingness to ask questions in order to ensure our students and staff maximise their potential. You don't need to be a teacher or know about education; in fact, you probably have many skills from your own life and work which would be invaluable.

The amount of time you would need to commit depends on your willingness to get involved, but there would be a minimum expectation of attendance at three Local Governing Body meetings per year and arranging to visit the school once per term to carry out monitoring activities.

We currently have vacancies for three school governors so, if you would like to join the team of people responsible for oversight of many aspects of the school, or would like to find out more about what it means to be a governor, please contact Nick Vosper, Chair of Governors at SVCS at governors@stourvalley.org

Yours faithfully

Nick Vosper
Chair of Governors