



BOWERHAM PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL & BABY UNIT

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Dear Friends of Bowerham School,

The Governing Body at Bowerham School currently has a vacancy for a **Co-opted Governor**, and we are inviting applications from members of our school and wider community who are interested in contributing to the continued success of our school.

A Co-opted Governor has the same rights, responsibilities and duties as all other Governors. The role offers a unique opportunity to gain insight into school life, develop your own skills, and make a real difference to the education and wellbeing of our pupils. Governors are involved in many important aspects of school business, including interviewing new staff, attending school events, setting future priorities, planning budgets, developing the school site, monitoring the curriculum, and raising standards.

Support and training are freely available, and all governing body work is carried out collectively — no one is expected to work alone. The Governing Body at Bowerham was rated **as Strong Standard** in our most recent Ofsted inspection, and we are keen to build on this strong foundation by welcoming new members who bring valuable experience, skills and enthusiasm to the team.

We are looking for someone who can:

- Commit time and energy to help improve Bowerham School
- Attend regular meetings (three full Governing Body and three sub-committee meetings each year)
- Support the work of the governing body and school leadership
- Work in partnership with staff, pupils, parents, and the wider community
- Act fairly, respectfully, and with integrity in all matters

A recent review of our skills and experience has identified that we require someone with HR expertise. The following areas where additional expertise would be particularly valuable:

- Proven professional leadership experience
- Previous board, governor or trustee experience
- Experience of chairing meetings
- Understanding of relevant legal frameworks
- Financial management or planning background
- Knowledge of fundraising, grants, or contract management
- Confidence to ask challenging questions and evaluate decisions effectively

If you feel you can offer skills or experience in any of these areas—or simply have the enthusiasm and



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commitment to support our school's ongoing development—we would love to hear from you.

To apply, please complete the Co-Opted Governor Application Form, outlining how your background, experience, or personal qualities meet some or all of the above criteria.

The closing date for applications is Friday ~~25-18~~th September and please send your application to Misbah Ashraf, Vice Chair at vicechair@bowerham.lancs.sch.uk.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to play an important role in shaping the future of our school.

With kind regards,

The Governing Body

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