



13th May 2022

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

I am writing to inform you of two upcoming vacancies for the role of parent/carers governor on our governing board.

The role of the governing board

The school's governing board is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and creating robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational and financial performance. The board is passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for our pupils.

The role of a parent governor

As a parent/carers governor, you'll work with the board to make sure it effectively carries out the duties referred to above. You'll also play a vital role in bringing a **parental/carers perspective** to the governing board, but you're not there to speak 'on behalf' of the parent/carers body.

Any parent/carers can put themselves forward for the role. Some key ways of being for a good governor include:

- A strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for children
- Good inter-personal skills, curiosity, and a willingness to learn and develop new skills
- The specific skills required to make sure the governing board delivers effective governance

The board embraces diversity and inclusion, respecting and valuing differences in people. We particularly welcome applications from fathers and caregivers who identify as male as these groups have recently been underrepresented on our board.

Expectations of governors

- Attendance at termly Full Governing Board meetings (on Wednesday afternoons) and an annual Business meeting (September)
- Maintaining confidentiality
- Committing to all required training, and an interest in participating in additional training
- Visiting the school at least once per term as a governor
- A 3-year term of office

How to apply

If you're interested in applying for the role, please complete the candidate form attached to the letter (which will be sent today) and return to Hattie in the school office or by email on info@sunnyhill.lambeth.sch.uk by Monday 6th June. If we receive more applications than there are vacancies, a secret ballot will be carried out. We will inform you closer to the time if we have to do this. If you have any queries about this process or would like to find out more about the role, please contact James (chair of governors) or Lilly (vice chair of governors) by email through the school office and they will get back to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,
James Canvin
Chair of Governors



Candidate name:	
Candidate address:	
Candidate statement:	<p>In this section, outline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ The skills and experience you have that the governing board requires➤ Your commitment to undertaking training to acquire or develop the skills needed to be an effective governor➤ If applicable, details of your contribution to the work of the governing board during your previous term of office➤ How you plan to contribute to the future work of the board

I confirm that I am a parent or carer of a registered pupil at the school and am not:

- An elected member of the local authority
- Paid to work in the school for more than 500 hours in any consecutive 12-month period at the time of election

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

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