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Dear Parents, Carers, families and staff

From November 2019 we set up a new Board of Trustees who work with me to ensure that the school continues to rapidly improve and is in a financially stable position. We now need to appoint a Local Governing Body which will oversee the operational running of the school and provide the perspectives of parents, staff and others.

The Local Governing Body will have representatives from the Board of Trustees, who will be able to answer questions around the strategic work of the school, but the main purpose of the Local Governing Body will be to provide local governance as well as offering assistance to the Trustees in the fulfillment of their duties.

Academy Today notes that *"The role [of a Local Governing Body] is to provide focused governance for an academy at a local level. It should also monitor the academy's key performance indicators and act as a critical friend to the Headteacher. It will also play a part in representing the views of the academy's stakeholders"*.

Over the next few weeks, we will be sending out invitations to families, staff and the local community to look for the following Local Governors:

- 2 Parent/Carer Governors
- 1 Teaching Staff Governor
- 1 Non-Teaching Staff Governor
- 1 Community Representative Governor

If this is something that would interest you, please contact me at school to find out more, or if you would like to talk about the role with our Chair of Trustees, Tim Manson, please contact him by email on [t.manson803@btinternet.com](mailto:t.manson803@btinternet.com).

The letter will detail how to put yourself forward and the voting process. If there is more than the required number of candidates for any role, we will ask for letters of application (nothing too hard I promise!).

We would be delighted to have you on board and look forward to your applications.

Best wishes

Michelle Parkes  
Headteacher