

## **Reflections on being a Governor**

I have been a school Governor since I was elected in October 2012. I sit on the Governing Body meetings as well as the finance and personnel committee and the curriculum committee.

Being a school Governor has given me a very good insight into the workings of the school. It has been satisfying to be involved in areas I feel are particularly important such as the recruitment and management of teaching staff. Teachers of all levels are engaged, motivated and supported by the management of the school. A number of staff are involved in managerial decisions and a number of staff are independently developing innovative teaching practices and pursuing speciality areas.

A particular highlight of being a Governor was being on the interview panel for 2 internal leadership roles. Candidates were extremely conscientious and had a passion for teaching. They were committed to improving standards and setting up innovative initiatives to benefit the children. Discussions with the candidates and the interview panel continued after the interviews had finished which demonstrated a relaxed, supportive and dedicated environment in which conscientious teachers will thrive.

Another aspect of being a Governor I really enjoy is being part of a team of dedicated individuals striving to achieve the same aim, namely the best possible education for our children.

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