

Hollybush Primary School

Location	East Hertfordshire District
Salary	Volunteer position
Employment type	Part time
Contract type	Fixed Term Contract
Closing date	Open-ended
Interview date	TBC
Start date	As soon as possible

About the role

Volunteer School Governor opportunity at Hollybush Primary School

Contribute to your community while developing leadership skills

Hollybush Primary School is seeking a dedicated and enthusiastic individuals to join our Governing Body. You do NOT need to be a parent of a child at the school to take part. We welcome applications from local residents, people who work nearby, community leaders and anyone who is passionate about education and supporting local children.

As a governor, you will help to steer the strategic direction of the schools' development to make sure the schools' values are embedded in everything we do. Along with the rest of the Governing Body, you will help to ensure every child at Hollybush receives the best education possible.

Hollybush Primary School is an inclusive learning community with a culture that is kind, supportive and empowering, we will provide an environment where every child can flourish. We uphold the values of being kind, keeping improving and never giving up.

What does a School Governor do?

Governors work alongside the Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team to:

- Help shape the school's vision, values and strategic direction
- Support and challenge school leaders to achieve the best outcomes for pupils
- Monitor educational performance and progress
- Oversee financial management and use of resources
- Ensure accountability, safeguarding and good governance

The role is strategic rather than operational and provides an excellent opportunity to contribute your professional expertise for the benefit of local children and families.

We are particularly interested in people with experience in:

- Risk management
- Finance or accountancy
- Interpreting data
- Strategy development

However, enthusiasm, commitment and a willingness to learn are equally important.

Why become a Governor?

By joining our Governing Body, you will:

- Gain experience in governance
- Develop leadership skills
- Build experience in strategic planning and monitoring
- Learn more about the UK Education system
- Contribute to your community
- Impact the education and opportunities of local children
- Work in collaboration with other Governors and school staff

Time commitment

- 5 meeting minimum (4 in person meetings per year with up to 7 online meetings depending on sub-committee membership)
- Participate in occasional committees/ panels, school visits, and online/ in person training
- Full Governing Body meetings take place at 4.30 at Hollybush Primary School, with online meetings starting later into the evening

Full induction and ongoing training will be provided.

Application process

We ask interested individuals to discuss their interest and experience with existing Governors and ask any questions they have. This tends to happen online.

You will then be offered the opportunity to visit the school.

If both parties want to continue the application, you will be asked to complete a full application form which will include listing two references and providing information for us to undertake a DBS check.

Finally, you will be formally elected as a Governor at the next Governing Body meeting (we run one per term).

To find out more about this Governance opportunity and express your interest, please contact the Chair of Governors, Emma Watson, on watson@hollybush.herts.sch.uk.