

# Round Hill Primary School is recruiting School Governors

## What is a governor?

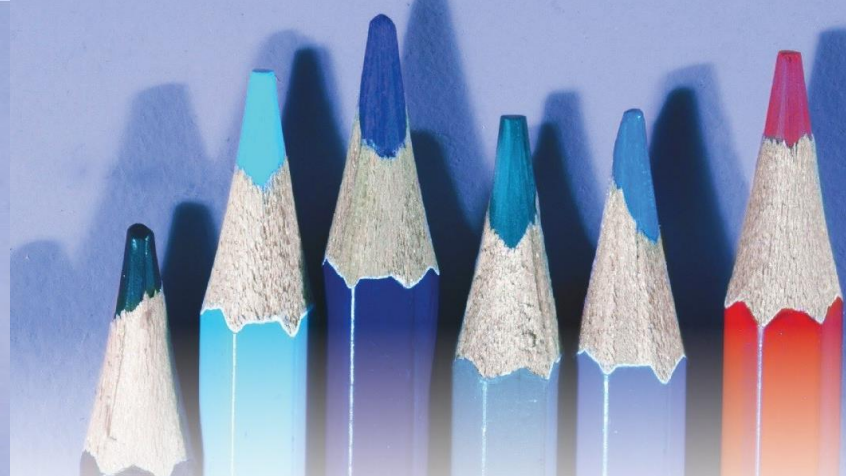
Governors play a vital role in shaping the education of young people by helping to set the ethos, vision and strategy for schools. School governors are people who want to make a positive contribution to children's education. Governors are one of the largest volunteer forces in the country and have an important part to play in the effectiveness of a school.

## Who are the Governors at Round Hill?

Round Hill Primary School currently has 14 governors on the governing body. The group is made up of teachers, parents, staff and other volunteers who work together to support and monitor the school.

## What skills and experience are we looking for?

We are interested in hearing from candidates who are passionate about education, have a thoughtful and broadminded approach, are welcoming and community focused and able to bring a fresh perspective to the governing body, reflecting our local community.



We are recruiting up to 3 new governors and we particularly welcome applications from black and minority ethnic candidates as they are currently under-represented on our governing body.

## Who can be a governor?

Almost anyone over 18 years of age can become a governor. There are no particular qualifications or requirements, other than a willingness to give time to the role and a capacity for working with other people. You don't have to have previous governor experience and don't have to be an expert in education. Governors can be parents, but don't have to be and can also be recruited from local communities and businesses. Governors are recruited by the governing body (these are co-opted governors), or through parent elections (these are parent-governors).

### What support will we provide?

We will provide training and support for new governors so no prior experience of governance is necessary and can support with access costs and expenses if required.

### How much time does the role take?

The full governing body meets 6 times a year and in between meetings governors may visit school a few times to meet staff, attend events etc. We estimate each governor volunteers about 5 hours per month.

### What to do if you're interested?

We're holding a couple of informal drop in sessions where you can meet some of the current governors and senior school staff, have a cup of tea and chat about the role. These sessions will be held at 5.30-6.30pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April or 9.15 - 10.15am on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April at school. If you're unable to attend one of these sessions please contact the school office or email us on [chairofgovernors@roundhill.notts.sch.uk](mailto:chairofgovernors@roundhill.notts.sch.uk) and one of our governors will get back to you.

## We need YOU!

### Who do we want to hear from?

We are recruiting up to 3 new co-opted governors and are interested in hearing from parents and members of our local community who would like to help support the school in this way. Previous board/trustee experience is not necessary and we particularly welcome applications from all ages and backgrounds.

### What next?

Following the drop in sessions we will ask all potential candidates to complete a short expression of interest form. We will then be holding more formal discussions for all shortlisted applicants and aim to have finished the recruitment process by the end of May 2018.