



20 October 2023

Dear Parents / Carers / Guardians

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION 2023

The role of Parent Governor is highly valued in Crickhowell High School and we feel the contributions from this role have huge potential for enabling whole school improvement. We currently have a vacancy for 1 Parent Governor Representative on the school's Governing Body. Nominations are therefore invited from all parents, or those with parental responsibility, of registered pupils at the school.

If you wish to nominate yourself, please complete the nomination form and submit it to the Clerk to Governors ClerkG7@hwbcyrmu.net no later than 4.00pm on Friday 3rd November 2023. If you wish, you may submit a short personal statement (no more than 200 words) along with your nomination form.

If there is more than one nomination, a ballot will be held and this will be notified to you in a separate communication, should this become necessary.

I have also enclosed information relating to eligibility for this voluntary role. The term of office of a Parent Governor is four years from the date of appointment. A Parent Governor may serve out their term of office if their child leaves the school during the period of their term of office, so you may still apply if your child(ren) is/are in older year groups.

There are three full Governing Body meetings held throughout the academic year. You will also be asked to serve on other Committees, each of which meet termly. All Governor meetings, with the exception of the Quality Assurance Committee, are held on Wednesday evenings from 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm.

The person appointed will be required to complete a Powys County Council enhanced level Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) check and can only attend meetings once a satisfactory check is in place. If they already have a PCC enhanced level check which is in date then this will be sufficient as only one PCC DBS check is required at the correct level for all posts held. There will also be an expectation that the appointed person undertakes Induction and Data Training within one year from the date of election. We look forward to receiving all applications.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Claire Jones".

Claire Jones
Headteacher

ELIGIBILITY

Definition of an elected Parent Governor:

An elected Parent Governor is defined as “a person who is elected as a member of the Governing Body of a school by parents of registered pupils at the school and who is himself/herself such a parent at the time he/she is elected”. Parent Governors shall hold office for a term of four years, subject to resignation or disqualification. A parent, in relation to any child or young person, includes a guardian or long-term foster parent, and every person who has the actual custody of the child or young person.

Disqualification - applicable to all governors:

- ⇒ a person who is already a member of two Governing Bodies (excluding temporary Governing Bodies or ex-officio Governorships);
- ⇒ Able to be detained under the Mental Health Act 1983 during his or her period of office
- ⇒ Is subject to a bankruptcy restriction order or an interim order;
- ⇒ Has had their estate sequestrated and the sequestration order has not been discharged, annulled or rescinded;
- ⇒ Is subject to:
 - A disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986
 - a disqualification order under part 2 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1989
 - a disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002
 - an order made under section 492(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under a County Court administration order);
- ⇒ has been removed from the office of charity Trustee or Trustee for a charity by the Charity Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement, or under section 7 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions)(Scotland) Act 1990 from participating in the management or control of any body;
- ⇒ Is included in the list of people whose employment is prohibited or restricted under Section 1 of the Protection of Children Act 1999;
- ⇒ Is disqualified from working with children or is the subject of a direction by the Welsh Assembly Government under section 142 of the Education Act 2002;
- ⇒ Disqualified from being the proprietor of an independent school;
- ⇒ Has received a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months (without the option of a fine) in the five years before becoming a Governor or since becoming a Governor;
- ⇒ Has received a prison sentence of two-and-a-half years or more in the 20 years before becoming a Governor;
- ⇒ Has at any time received a prison sentence of five years or more;
- ⇒ Has been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the five years prior to or since appointment or election as a Governor; or
- ⇒ Refuses a request by the Governing Body to make an application to the Disclosure Barring Service for a criminal records certificate.