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6th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

I am writing to invite you to stand for election as a Parent Governor, or to nominate another parent to do so. In our school we have provision for 6 Parent Governors and there are currently 2 vacancies.

The Local Governing Board (LGB) is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and creating robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational and financial performance. The LGB is passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for all our pupils.

As a Parent Governor, you'll work as part of the LGB to ensure that it effectively carries out the duties referred to above. You'll also play a vital role in ensuring that the Trust Board is connected with, and is aware of the views of, parents and the local community.

Expectations of Governors:-

- Attendance at 6 LGB meetings during the academic year, these are held on Mondays at 5.30pm
- Attendance at sub-committee meetings, 3 or 4 times a year
- Maintaining confidentiality
- Committing to training, specifically around Safeguarding and Induction
- Visiting the school (2-3 times a year, during the school day)

The link on the nomination form summarises the circumstances under which one cannot serve as a governor. In addition, parents/carers who have paid employment in the school for 500 or more hours per academic year or who are elected members of the Local Authority, are not eligible to stand in these elections. Nominations must be from parents or carers with children at the school on the day that nominations close.

If you would like to stand for election, please complete the enclosed nomination form and return it to the school or clerktogovernors@gordanoschool.org.uk no later than 4pm on Friday 20th September 2024. You will need to include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words. Self-nominations will be accepted but if you are nominating another parent, please seek their prior consent.

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If there are more nominations than vacancies, the election will be by secret ballot. If that is necessary, we will inform you closer to the time if we have to do this.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L Blundell', with a small dot at the end.

Louise Blundell
Returning Officer