

Chase Terrace Academy seeks to appoint two Parent Governors to the Local Governing Body

This is a voluntary and unpaid appointment.
We are looking to appoint in November and there are two vacancies

Governors are unpaid, doing what they do simply to try to make Chase Terrace Academy the best school it can be. In return they gain skills which they may not otherwise acquire, as well as getting a wider perspective on a key part of their community. Most importantly, governors get the satisfaction of knowing they are helping to make a difference in the education of the children who attend Chase Terrace Academy

The Governing Board has three key roles:

1. To set the strategic direction of the school.
2. To hold the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of pupils.
3. To oversee the financial effectiveness of the school, making sure the money is well spent.

Schools need and benefit from a range of professional knowledge on their governing board including (but not limited to): education, finance, human resources, legal, marketing and public relations, property and estates management, and organisational change.

Who can stand for election:

- Anyone aged over 18 can be a governor.
- You will be required to have an enhanced DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check.
- You will be required to undergo ID and right to work checks.
- You must be a parent/carer for a child currently at Chase Terrace Academy
- You do not need specific qualifications.

To fulfil the role, you will need to:

- Commit to attending regular meetings throughout the year. Our meetings are held on a Wednesday evening at 5pm and last for approximately two hours. There are six face-to-face meetings throughout the year, and they are very interactive.
- **All governors must commit to a number of safeguarding training sessions.**
- Often governors are invited to assist with interviews and to sit on complaints and exclusion panels if availability allows.
- Commit to the term of office, which is typically four years.
- Attend induction training (provided) if you have not been a governor before and ongoing development (provided for all governors).

How to apply

If you would like to apply, please complete the attached application form and return it to the Clerk to the Governors, Mrs S Jones (s.jones@chaseterraceacademy.co.uk). If there are more applications than vacancies, we will conduct a confidential ballot. If that is necessary, voting papers and instructions will be sent to all parents and carers.

If you are interested in having an informal chat about the role or to find out more about how you can contribute to governance at our school, please email the Clerk to Governors by email (above) or telephone 01543 682286 with your details and we will arrange for our Chair of Governors, Mr Angus Stewart, to contact you and arrange a time for a conversation.

Closing date for applications: Monday 19th October 2026

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people/vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.