11th September 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

We currently have a vacancy for two Parent Governors to join the Governing Body.

The Governing Body is made up of Governors from a range of different backgrounds, skills and experiences, but they are all volunteers who work together for the benefit of the school, and are the link between the school and the community it serves.

We would be delighted to hear from anyone who has:

* an interest in the performance of the school;
* a desire to contribute to, and represent, the community;
* an open and enquiring mind;
* the ability to look at issues objectively;
* the confidence to ask questions and join in debate;
* a willingness to listen and make informed judgements and
* the ability to work well with others

The term of office is 4 years. You will need a commitment to attend regular Governor meetings. We hold five meeting per year. These are held during the early evening. You will also take part in School Improvement meetings and visit the school to monitor the curriculum, standards and well-being. You do not need to have any experience or prior knowledge, as training will be offered.

Being a governor at Lionel Walden will give you:

* a chance to develop skills in strategic management;
* the opportunity to work with our team of governors and staff in improving our school;
* a sense of achievement in making a difference to our school and
* the pleasure of helping pupils reach their potential.

If you are interested in this role, then please complete the short form below and return it to the school office. Alternatively, you may copy the information into an email and send to the Clerk of the Governing body at [estratford@lionelwalden.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:estratford@lionelwalden.cambs.sch.uk). If more than the required number of applications are received then the appointment will be put to a parental vote. The closing date to express an interest in the position is 12pm Friday 29th September 2023.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E Stratford

Clerk to the Governing Body

**Election for a Parent Governor for Lionel Walden Primary School**

Parent’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren)’s name(s) and Year groups: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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I am willing and eligible to stand for election as a parent governor at Lionel Walden Primary School.

Please explain in no more than 300 words why you wish to become a School Governor and what skills you can bring to the Governing Body.

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| Please use another sheet if necessary. |
| Signed: Date: |