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RE: Governing Body Updates

Dear Parents and Carers,

I write to share an important update with you regarding our school's Governing Board. As you may know, our governors are a dedicated group of volunteers who generously give up their time once every half term to support school leaders, offering strategic guidance and a healthy dose of challenge to help us be the very best we can be.

After a long period of committed service, Cathey Briars has decided to step back from her role as Chair of Governors and return to her position as a governor. Cathey has been a great asset to our school, having previously served as Vice-Chair before taking on the Chair role. Her thoughtful leadership and unwavering support have helped steer the school through some challenging times and developments over the last couple of years, and we are incredibly grateful for all she has done.

Stepping into the role of Chair is Carol Robertson, our previous Vice-Chair, who brings a wealth of experience and a deep understanding of our school community. We're also pleased to announce that Paul Livesey, one of our co-opted governors, will be taking on the role of Vice-Chair. Both Carol and Paul are passionate about supporting our school, and I'm sure you will join me in wishing them every success in their new roles.

On behalf of the staff, pupils, and wider school community, I'd like to extend our thanks to Cathey for her service and leadership. We're delighted she'll continue to be part of the Governing Board and look forward to her continued contributions.

As a school, we are still looking for some governor support and would be interested in speaking to anyone who may have a background in business or finance to contribute to our board. If you think you could be interested, please take a look at the flyer on the other side of this page.

Yours sincerely,

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Sherdley Primary School is looking for a new school governor to support school leaders on the school's journey of excellence and improvement.

Could you be the person to help us or know someone else who could?

We have a wide range of talents & experiences on our governing body and are looking for a volunteer with a background in finance or accounting to help us further.



Could You Be A
School Governor?

If you are interested, please **pass your details in to the school office** for the attention of the Headteacher and Chair of Governors to arrange an informal conversation.

Commitment - One Meeting Per Half Term
(Voluntary)

Experience of working in a school is not necessary
and training opportunities will be provided.

