

DOTHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Head Teacher: Mrs J Thomas

30th September 2026

TO: All Parents/Carers of Children Registered at Dothill Primary School

Dear Parents/Carers

NOTICE OF PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION AND REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS

I am writing to invite parents, guardians and carers of registered pupils to put their names forward for election to serve as a parent governor of this school. There is one vacancy and the term of office of the elected candidate will start in the autumn term and will last for four years.

Please read the notes on the back of this letter and if, after doing so, you would like to put your name forward as a candidate please complete the Candidate Nomination Form and the Disqualification Declaration Form and return them to the school office for the attention of Mrs Thornton by 9:00am on Thursday 8th October 2026. It may be that you would wish to propose another parent to serve as a parent governor. Please note that in this case the parent in question should complete the nomination form after you have discussed the possibility.

Candidates need to submit a personal statement in support of their nomination, not more than 500 words giving:

- Evidence of skills and experience the governing body desires.
- Details of their commitment to undertake training to acquire or develop skills to be an effective governor.

They may not indicate that they are endorsed or supported by any particular group.

Only parents who now have and will have children registered at the school on 8th October 2026 are eligible to stand for election.

If it is necessary for there to be an election/ballot I will provide further details of the arrangements.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Thomas
Head Teacher

Enclosures: **Candidate Nomination Form**
 Disqualification Declaration Form



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Notes:

Telford & Wrekin Council is committed to equal opportunities and positively welcomes nominations from all sections of the community irrespective of race, colour, gender, sexuality or disability. All persons wishing to be considered as school governors must be committed to the Council's Equal Opportunities Policies.

'Parent' includes anyone who is not a parent but who has parental responsibility for, or who has the care of, a pupil at the school. For maintained nursery schools only, this includes parents of any children for whom any service is provided at the maintained nursery school.

A person is disqualified from election or appointment as a parent governor of a school if s/he is:

- an elected member of Telford & Wrekin Council;
- paid to work at the school concerned for more than 500 hours in any twelve months period beginning 1 August and ending 31 July.
- disqualified from appointment as a governor because they fall into any of the categories in the Disqualification Declaration Form (Form 3).

A parent governor may serve out their term of office if his or her child leaves the school before the end of their term of office or commences work at the school.

There is a statutory requirement for elected candidates to satisfactorily complete DBS check before their appointment as a governor can be confirmed. These checks will take place after the election of the successful candidate(s) and will include an identity check and a check against the List99 of persons whose employment or voluntary work with children or young people is not prohibited or restricted. In addition any new, re-appointed or serving governor whose activities or actions give "cause for concern" will be required to apply to the Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) for a 'Disclosure' of any criminal record.



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