



Dear Parents/Carers,

On behalf of all of the governors at Floreat Wandsworth, a very warm welcome to all parents and carers who are new to the school this term, and welcome back to all existing parents and carers. I hope that the start to the Autumn term has been a calm and happy one for your children so far, and that those who were new in September have now settled in comfortably.

As you will be aware, Floreat Wandsworth is part of the GLF Schools Trust with 34 primary schools and 7 secondary schools; and to support the work of the Trust Board each school has a School Standards Board (SSB) to serve as a 'Local Governing Body' of the Trust. The SSB is made up of the Headteacher, 2 parent members and between 3-5 co-opted members, and we currently have a vacancy for a parent member to replace Chris Stirling who has just completed his term of office. This is an elected position, where if there is more than one application, personal statements are sent to all parents and a secret ballot is held. Anyone who has a child on the roll of the school at the time of the election is eligible to stand (and you do not have to resign if your child leaves during your term of office).

Parent SSB members are representatives from the parent community rather than representatives of parents, bringing a parental viewpoint and perspective to discussions. They should not be seen as a 'go-between' or parent delegate. They act according to their own conscience and should follow the appropriate rules of SSB protocol and confidentiality. Parent SSB members have equal rights with all other SSB members.

No special qualifications are needed, the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school together with the time and willingness to be actively involved in the SSB's work. In order to support members in their work you will be provided with a structured induction and have access to ongoing training at no cost to enhance your knowledge and skills.

SSB members are asked to attend two meetings a term, currently held on Tuesday mornings from 9.00 – 11.00am, and to visit the school formally for monitoring purposes, at least once a term. You will also need the time to prepare for meetings by reading papers in advance and the time to respond to SSB business between meetings.

If you are interested finding out more, Mills Brough (Chair of the SSB) will be joining the **Parent Coffee Morning at school on Friday 8th October after drop off** to share further information about the role and to chat to all interested parties. If you are unable to attend, then you can email governors@wandsworth.floreat.org.uk to request the opportunity for an informal chat.

I do hope you will consider standing as an SSB member, as being a Parent SSB Member is a truly rewarding experience.

Warm regards,

Mills Brough

Chair of the Floreat Wandsworth SSB



*Everyone's
Welcome*

COFFEE MORNING

*Friday 8th
October*

8.30-9.30 am



*Come along to find out more about our
Parent Governor Vacancy*

