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Dear Parent/Carer

## **Election of a Parent Governor**

We wrote to you recently inviting parents/carers to consider standing for election as a Parent Governor as part of our Local Governing Body.

Since there have been more nominations than vacancies we now need to hold an **election**, so that you can vote for the parent you feel best suited to the role.

Within this letter there is a **LINK**, which will take you to an **ONLINE BALLOT PAPER**. Also on this ballot paper is a copy of the **candidates' personal statements** so that you can read their reasons for wanting to become a governor.

## https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/KJLPH7C

We are trialling this way of voting to alleviate previous time-consuming paper ballots and really hope this gives you an easier way to vote for a parent representative on the Governing Body. It is also a secure and confidential way of conducting the election with results accessed by the Returning Officer only.

PLEASE NOTE: Each parent/carer is entitled to ONE VOTE ONLY, irrespective of the number of children you have at the school.

Please complete and submit your ballot paper using the instructions on the online system by LATEST next FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2021 - by 9am. Any ballot papers received after this will not be counted.

The election will be decided by a simple majority of votes cast. In the event of a tie, there will be an arrangement for lots to be drawn.

When the election has been completed we will write to you again to let you know the outcome. If, in the meantime, you have any queries, please contact the Clerk to Governors on: clerk@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk

Many thanks for your interest in this important process.

Yours sincerely

Mr. I Witts

Headteacher

