



Advert For Governors

At Oughtibridge Primary School, we are looking for a co-opted governor and a parent governor to join our local governing board. As a governor, you will be a volunteer who makes a vital contribution to the success of our Ofsted-rated 'Outstanding' school.

About Oughtibridge Primary School

Oughtibridge Primary is a school with strong community support located in a thriving village northwest of Sheffield and part of Peak Edge Academy Trust. The school has a record of strong academic success, leading it to be known as 'the best primary school in Sheffield' by The Sheffield Star. We have a reputation for innovative teaching and learning. Our staff share best practices with other schools and leaders inside and outside the Trust and the local governing board.

We are supported by Peak Edge Trust, which was established in 2019 as a partnership between local schools with a shared ethos of putting pupils first, with excellence at the heart of all that we do. Peak Edge brings schools together and provides a foundation for further growth by sharing our strengths while maintaining our individual characteristics.

At Oughtibridge, whilst proud of our many achievements to date, we are a forward-thinking governing board with aspirations for the school's development and an understanding of future challenges. We are an exceptionally committed governing board and value support from the Trust, staff, children, and parents who place great value on education and our role at the heart of the community.

About the role

This is an exceptional opportunity to join the local governing board of a large, Outstanding school (Ofsted, November 2023).

School governors have three main roles.

- **Governors ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction.**
The governing body helps to set long-term plans for the school, decide where improvements need to be made and how to make them.
- **Governors hold the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and the effective and efficient performance management of staff.**

The governing body looks at the quality of education being offered and ensures the head is doing everything possible to improve results.

- **Governors oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure its money is well spent.**

Governors examine budgets and spending proposals to monitor whether the school is getting value for money and ensure the money is spent in the right areas.

Please note, for the parent governor vacancy: you must be the parent of a child at Oughtibridge Primary School or be caring for/have cared for a child at the school. We also welcome grandparents as Governors.

This role may be particularly of interest if you have skills in,

- Time management and organisation
- Critical and analytical thinking
- Project management and Procurement awareness
- Financial budgeting/accountancy processes & practices

We invite applications from anyone interested in helping the school be the best it can be. Full training is available, and governors are encouraged to attend regular training sessions, either in person or online. Additionally, if you are available to join us before September, you will have the benefit of mentoring support from your predecessor.

We are looking for someone who can attend three full governing body meetings per year and three committee meetings. Meetings are held in school, usually on Monday evenings from around 5pm to 7pm. Governors also spend time in school during the day (around two visits per year).

You must be 18 or over to apply and all governors must have Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks. If you would like to find out more either speak to Mrs Adams, headteacher or email Catherine Askham via enquiries@oughtibridge.sheffield.sch.uk for an application form.