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Headteacher: Mrs Victoria Baldwin BSc (Hons) NPQH

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Parent Governor Applications

Dear Parents

Following the advert for position of Parent Governor, we are now able to share with you two applications that have been submitted.

I would like to thank Ola Obafisoye and Sarah Mulock for expressing their interest in the position and completing their applications.

It is now the job of the parents of Wouldham All Saints to read through the following supporting statements and choose the best candidate for the school.

Please click on the following link to cast a vote, or please come into the office to complete a paper copy (see below):

https://forms.office.com/e/5bPfF9Ngrr

Please read through the following information and then select your preferred candidate by completing the attached voting slip and returning to the school by MONDAY 29th JANUARY 2024.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Watts Chair of Governors



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Name: Ola Obafisoye

Please outline why you wish to be a governor at Wouldham All Saints Church of England Primary School:

I have had 3 children come through Wouldham's gates.

1 child is now in year 9, one in year 6 and my youngest is in year 5.

I have witnessed how the nurture and care for each of my children impacts their attitude to learning.

This is an opportunity for me to give back to the school that has supported my children, and contribute my professional skills in marketing, social media, design, and project management.

At the heart of my application is the desire to support the school as it seeks to give each child a solid foundation in their life-long journey of learning. I'd like to help where needed.

Please outline why you think your skills and experience would make you an effective governor, taking account of the skills checklist and the governor person specification:

I would be able to support the school with the experience I have in strategic development, change management, marketing & PR and project management, as well as industry specific training and mentoring capabilities.

I am a detailed person who thrives when there's a challenge to achieving a goal, or in I.T. a blocker to development! I'm used to working in a range of team sizes, from the team of 1 to working in teams of teams.

I'm quite open to see where I could bring fresh eyes, and transferable skills.



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Name: Sarah Mulock

Please outline why you wish to be a governor at Wouldham All Saints Church of England Primary School:

I find myself extremely invested in the provision and progression of Wouldham All Saints CEP School. This is driven by a number of factors, the most important of which being that my daughter attends Wouldham All Saints CEP School and provides her with an extremely high standard of education which has been a driving factor in the progress she makes academically and in her personal life. I am also incredibly passionate about children's access to education and am keen to support the school in achieving their vision of 'fly high', as well as making sure that the provision is inclusive to all groups within the school. I have worked closely in more recent times with the governing body of my own school and have come to realise how important their contributions are in challenging and holding leaders within the school community to account, in a way which collectively drives school improvements. I believe that I am in a position to positively impact on the school collective whilst working with a likeminded team.

Please outline why you think your skills and experience would make you an effective governor, taking account of the skills checklist and the governor person specification:

My professional background is in education as I have worked in many capacities within secondary school education, my most recent position being Assistant Headteacher with responsibility of culture and ethos. I have also specific expertise with behaviour, safeguarding and SEND provision within the school curriculum. The skills and knowledge I have developed within these roles allows me to have a progressive understanding of education and the key changes within it, which would in turn allow me to be critical of school improvements and the best way to implement them for success. I am passionate about the use of data and research as the foundations which drive strategy within education and I believe that I would be able to add value to Wouldham All Saints School's governing body by using my expertise in these areas to make suggestions and fully support the strategy both inside the school, and in the local community. I am confident in the analysis of data and identifying key trends within an educational setting, which would allow me to pose questions from an external viewpoint which, from my experience, contributes to a holistic rhetoric around those specific areas of improvement.

In addition, I am trained as a designated safeguarding lead, so have a substantial knowledge in the safeguarding of children – I am therefore confident in my ability to prioritise the needs of the children above all others and be able to support in developing the school's provision in this area further. Due to this experience, I am confident to act decisively when necessary. I also have substantial experience of working within a team, both in an academic capacity as well as a pastoral capacity. My previous responsibly as Head of Department and Head of Faculty has meant that I am skilled in managing the productivity and expectations of others – leading on and implementing strategies to boost these. The biggest challenge I have faced in this respect is within my current role in behaviour for learning as this is an area that all stakeholders are incredibly passionate about. This has led to further development in my communication skills as I have learnt how to best approach all groups including parents, students and staff. In all of these roles also, I have been responsible for the management of a budget, which has allowed me to identify how funds could be best spent to support in achieving the visions in those areas.

I am incredibly keen to dedicate as much time to the position as the school needs and will support in any way that the school sees fit for the position of parent governor.



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PARENT GOVERNOR VOTING FORM

Please place a tick next to the Candidate name that you wish to vote for as Parent Governor.

Candidate Name	Please tick ONE Candidate
Ola Obafisoye	
Sarah Mulock	

Parent Name:	
Parent Signature:	
Child's Name:	
Child's Class:	