Can you ...

Spare 8-10 hours a month?

Attend at least 3 full governor meetings a year?

Join a sub-group or committee?

What is a Foundation Governor?

Foundation governors are appointed to the governing boards of voluntary controlled and voluntary aided schools to preserve the religious character of the school. There are foundation governors in every Church of England school.

Governors are volunteers who offer strategic guidance and support to their school communities. Anybody over-18 can be a governor and it is a great way to give your skills back to the community.

BECOME A GOVERNOR AT A CHURCH OF ENGLAND **SCHOOL**



Diocese of Bristol



Belinda Stowe, Foundation Governor



If you would like to find out more please contact Jo Willis, **Foundation Governance and Academy Trust Advisor:** jo.willis@bristoldiocese.org

or get in touch with your local CE school





DEVELOP

Serving as a school governor will give you the opportunity to develop a wide range of skills from teamwork, decision making, negotiation and influencing to business awareness, financial planning and technical skills.

There is lots of training and support on offer, and governors tell us that the personal and professional development is a hugely satisfying – and sometimes unexpected –part of the role.

Our Values

Our aim is to support schools where pupils can grow to live 'life in all its fullness'. We believe in:

- the affirmation of individual worth
- nurturing hope, aspiration and perseverance
- Service to others

- treating all members of our community with dignity and respect
- educating the 'whole person' through the development of wisdom, knowledge and skills
- the importance of community and living well together
- the importance of excellent leadership and good role models
- working collaboratively



'Being a Governor offers the opportunity to lead, serve and develop and we know it can be a deeply rewarding experience which makes a real impact on outcomes for children and young people'



LEAD

Schools and Academy Trusts are complex organisations which have a public duty to 'get it right'. Serving on governance boards will give you first hand experience of leadership and strategy. Whether you are developing or honing your leadership skills, they will be tangible, transferable and, for some, professionally valuable.



SERVE

Volunteering brings its' own benefits, not least of which are a sense of purpose, increased selfconfidence and a greater sense of social connectedness. For some, the desire to serve is an important expression of their personal faith and a commitment to serve God with joy. Others may be motivated by a desire to give something back or to develop new skills.

