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4th November 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION
CLOSING DATE : MONDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 2026

A vacancy has arisen for a **Parent Governor** on our Governing Body. The Governing Body is asking you to nominate yourself or someone else with parental responsibility for a child currently on roll at the school. If the school receives more than one nomination, then a ballot must be held. Please note, that if you are nominating someone else, you **must** have the agreement of that person before proposing them **and**, if nominating yourself, **someone else MUST** second your nomination. If you have any queries regarding the completion of the form or what the role entails, please contact Mrs Mortimer for further information.

Why become a Governor?
Bishop Challoner Catholic School needs an enthusiastic and committed person to make important decisions on the school's governance, including setting targets, monitoring achievement and ensuring standards are improving. People can be drawn from the wider community who have an interest in education and a useful contribution to make; this might include business people or representatives of local community groups or religious bodies.

What do Governing Bodies do?
Together with the Executive Headteacher, they:

- Decide the aims and objectives for the school;
- Review students' achievement and set targets for improvement;
- Approve the school budget;
- Decide how staff will be selected;
- Ensure the national curriculum and religious education are taught;
- Approve school policies;
- Make sure children with special needs have access to the curriculum;
- Act as a link between the school and the community it serves;
- Keep parents/carers informed;
- Consider complaints from parents/carers;
- Ensure the school is well maintained;
- Ensure health & safety requirements are met.

Governors need to be proactive with influencing and making difficult decisions, asking complex questions and ensuring accountability.

Interested?

If you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please complete and return the form HERE to Mrs Mortimer via email to info@bishop.towerhamlets.sch.uk by 12noon on Monday 23rd November 2026. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Mortimer.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A Hall
EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER