

Alumwell Infant School



Where we Learn, Grow and Achieve

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Monday 5th October 2026

Alumwell Infant School – Local Governing Board – VACANCIES

Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s) / Guardian(s),

I am writing to inform you of **2 vacancies** for the role of parent governor on our Alumwell Infant School Local Governing Board.

The role of the Local Governing Board

The federations governing board is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and creating robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational and financial performance.

The board is passionate about our community and their education. We are committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for all of our children.

The role of a parent governor

As a parent governor, you'll work with the local governing board, of Alumwell Infant School, to make sure it effectively carries out the duties referred to above.

You'll also play a vital role in bringing a **parental perspective** to the local governing board, but you're not there to speak 'on behalf' of the parent body.

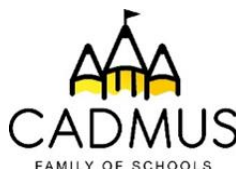
To be a parent governor you should have:

- A strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for children
- Good inter-personal skills, curiosity, and a willingness to learn and develop new skills
- The specific skills required to make sure the governing board delivers effective governance

Expectations of governors

Make sure candidates fully understand what is expected of them in their role by outlining your expectations, including:

- Attendance at meetings



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- Maintaining confidentiality
- Committing to training
- Visiting the school
- Their term of office

All parents over the age of 18 are eligible to stand for election and to vote with the exception of parents/ carers who are elected members of Walsall Council; employed to work at the school for more than 500 hours in an academic year or are ineligible as summarised in the list overleaf.

If you're interested in applying for the role, please complete the candidate form attached to this letter and return to

Mrs Hammond by Friday 16th October 2026.

It may be that you would wish to propose another parent to serve as a parent governor, please seek their prior consent with them before making the nomination.

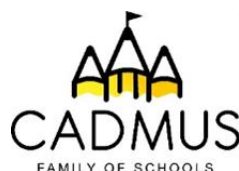
If there are more nominations than vacancies, it will be necessary for there to be a secret ballot, and I will provide further details of the arrangements. Voting papers will be sent to all parents together with details of the procedure.

If you have any queries about this process or would like to find out more about the role, please contact the Mrs. Hammond or Mr. Evans.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C. Hammond
Head Teacher

Paper copies of Candidate Statement form are available from the school's office.



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ALUMWELL INFANT SCHOOL - Candidate Statement

Candidate name:	
Candidate address:	
Candidate statement: Please include details such as... Any skills and experience you may have that the governing board requires Demonstrate commitment to undertaking training to acquire or develop the skills needed to be an effective governor If applicable, details of your contribution to the work of the governing board during their previous term of office How do you plan to contribute to the future work of the board	



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School Name: **ALUMWELL INFANT SCHOOL**

I confirm that I am a parent or carer of a registered pupil at the school and I am not:

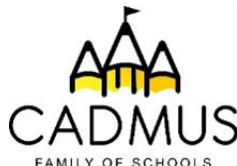
- an elected member of the local authority
- paid to work in the school for more than 500 hours in any consecutive 12-month period at the time of election
- ineligible to serve as a School Governor (see appendix B overleaf for ineligibility criteria)

I confirm that I am a parent or carer of a registered pupil at the school/at one of the schools with the Cadmus Federation.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

Appendix - A person is ineligible to serve as a school governor if he/ she:

- Is a registered pupil at the school.
- Is not aged 18 or over at the date of this election or appointment.
- Already holds a governorship of the same school.
- Has (a) had their estate sequestrated (temporarily repossessed) and the sequestration has been discharged, annulled or reduced; or (b) been subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order, an interim bankruptcy restrictions order, a debt relief restrictions order or an interim debt relief restrictions order.
- Is subject to a disqualification order under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986 or to an order made under section 429 (2) of the Insolvency Act 1986.
- Has been removed as a trustee for a charity by an order made by the Charity Commissioners or the High Court on the grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement in the administration of the charity or been removed under section 34 of the Charities and



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Trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, from being concerned in the management or control of any body.

- Has been removed from office as an elected governor within the last 5 years.
- Is included on the list of teachers or workers prohibited or restricted from working with children or young people.
- Is disqualified from working with children, barred from regulated activity and/or disqualified from registering for childminding or providing day care.
- Is disqualified from registration under Part 3 of the Childcare Act 2006.
- Is subject to a direction of the Secretary of State under section 142 of the Education Act 2002, or to a section 128 direction.
- Is disqualified from being an independent school proprietor, teacher or employee by the Secretary of State.
- Has been sentenced to 3 months or more in prison (without the option of a fine) in the 5 years before becoming a governor or since becoming a governor.
- Has received a prison sentence of 2½ years or more in the 20 years before becoming a governor.
- Has at any time, received a prison sentence of 5 years or more.
- Has been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the 5 years prior to or since appointment or election as a governor.
- Has refused to an application being made for a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check for a criminal records certificate.
- Is the clerk to the governing body.

