## ABBEY ACADEMIES TRUST Chief Executive Officer: Mrs S J Moore Chair of Trustees: Mr S A Haigh

13<sup>th</sup> December 2023

To the Parents of Pupils at Bourne Elsea Park C of E Primary Academy

**Dear Parents** 

## Would you like to play a part in deciding the future direction of Bourne Elsea Park C of E Primary Academy?

Abbey Academies Trust Trustees and the Local Governing Body of Bourne Elsea Park C of E Primary Academy are looking for **2** parents/carers who currently have children at the school and are interested in joining them as a parent governor. The Trustees and Local Governing Body have a number of statutory roles to perform in monitoring and evaluation, ensuring accountability of the leadership team, and deciding the future strategic direction of the school.

Individual governors can really make a difference to the school by acting as critical friends, supporting the CEO, Executive Headteacher, Head of School and staff wherever they feel their strengths and expertise will be useful. The present governors are looking for some new energy from parents. This is important when making decisions that affect the future of the school.

You will not be alone in your role as a school governor, as you will be supported by other experienced members of Abbey Academies Trust and the Local Governing Body; the Executive Headteacher and Head of School; the Local Authority and the Diocese who run a large number of relevant training courses.

The Governing Body works together as a group, formally meeting once per full term. If you are thinking of standing as a governor, remember that you will need to attend a minimum of three meetings a year. As a parent governor, you will normally hold office for a period of four years, even if your child leaves the school during this time. You can, however, resign from the governing body at any time.

Please help us make a difference by volunteering a little of your time to help towards the growing success of Bourne Elsea Park C of E Primary Academy.

The attachment describes the process for nomination as a Governor and should be selfexplanatory, but if you have any further queries about the role, please contact Mrs Moore, other members of the Local Governing Body or Abbey Academies Trust or the clerk, Mrs Jill Bates, jill.bates@abbeyacademies.co.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Moore Chief Executive Officer