



Southend East Community
Academy Trust (SECAT)



Thorpedene Primary School are looking for Governors

Why I became a school Governor and why it might be for you

I was asked completely out of the blue “have you ever thought about being a school Governor?”. The answer was ‘no’. So why did I become a Governor?

Broadly Governors set the aims and objectives for the school and set the policies and targets for achieving those aims and objectives. They monitor and evaluate the progress the school is making and act as a source of challenge and support to the headteacher and senior leadership team.

Being a governor has been, and still is, an enormously challenging and rewarding opportunity. I have a sense of satisfaction through knowing children will benefit from my efforts, also to be supported to develop new skills and to strengthen existing ones. Through helping solve problems ranging from finance to site management; human resources to marketing; pupil welfare to curriculum development. Every governor is guaranteed to broaden their skills and knowledge in some way and training is offered by local education authorities and online training. All decisions are made with the consensus of the whole governing body and I have a real sense of adding value and assisting making sure children have the best possible start in life.

So if this is something you have never thought of doing, I ask you to give it some consideration, your skills may be just what we need.

I have been a Governor at Shoeburyness High School for 5 years and am now also a Governor on the Advisory Panel here at Thorpedene.

We would welcome all who think this might be for them to contact Theresacope@secat.co.uk for an application pack or further details.

A governor must be aged 18 or over at the time of his/her election.

Closing date Friday 17th January 2020

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