



SIR THOMAS FREMANTLE SCHOOL

A CO-EDUCATIONAL SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS AGED 11-19

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you will all agree, STFS continues to evolve and adapt at a remarkable pace. Already seven months into the academic year, we look forward to our first set of A-Level results and all the excitement associated with a trip to the depths of Borneo, quite a progression.

Our successful Ofsted inspection in December demonstrated that we have a school built on effective core principles, providing our students with the environment needed to flourish. Neale and his team must be congratulated on their efforts, ensuring STFS is in a strong position to meet all the challenges that lie ahead. We are all aware, this level of continued development requires effort from a considerable number of people and it is vital we continue to embrace new ideas, helping to enhance the school experience.

To this end, the governing body is looking to recruit new members. Many of the current governors have served more than four years; some will continue in their positions, but others are due to step down at the end of this academic year. Several positions will need to be filled for the start of the 2019/20 calendar and now is the time to start our search. A successful governing body requires a broad skill set, but it would be useful if you have previous governing experience (not essential), an accountancy/financial background, human resource management or previous teaching experience.

Becoming a governor enables you to assist in future decisions, to have a say in the direction our school takes and gain an in-depth knowledge of the processes involved in the daily life of STFS. Seeing a school grow and prosper is extremely rewarding, particularly when you have direct input.

If you feel you can become that 'critical friend' and are prepared to commit time to meetings and school visits, we would like to hear from you. You may prefer to simply express an interest or have a no-obligation conversation with an existing governor to find out more. Whatever that initial step, we are more than happy to provide the answers.

Interested? Please contact me via email through the school: receptionist@sirthomasfremantle.org

Yours sincerely,

Paul Brown
Chair of Governors

