

## What qualities does a school governor need?

- Ability to work as a member of a team
- Ability to ask questions
- Ability to put school's interests above personal preferences
- Ability to respect others with whom you may not agree.
- Desire to work for the good of pupils
- Desire to serve the local community
- Interest in the work of schools
- Time to read papers and attend meetings
- Willingness to learn and to attend training

## Being a school governor is about:

- Determination to see continuous standards raised & progress made by all pupils
- Agreeing the overall aims of the school
- Agreeing and monitoring policies
- Agreeing and monitoring the school budget and salaries
- Asking questions to check on progress
- Making sure the National Curriculum is being taught
- Checking that the school encourages pupils' spiritual, moral and cultural development, and that pupils' Special Needs are being met
- Helping in the appointment of senior staff
- Ensuring the buildings are properly maintained