

Qu 8. What additional training do you need to support you in your role as a Governor?

General

Heads & Chairs working together / Work life balance
 Understanding and overview of what is appropriate at the time you become a governor
 Experience and knowledge of other parent governors would help
 Better access to LA officers and their work
 better links with the community
 curriculum issues
 Awareness bulletins
 Marketing in how to increase school volunteers
 Developing the role of a new governor and integration into the GB
 dealing with practical issues and developing problem solving skills
 practical skills in how to monitor school effectively
 help in integrating old and new governors
 Procedures and who to contact with regard to issues with Headteacher and staff
 Time management training
 Regular e-mail updates about new responsibilities of governing bodies
 Opportunities to observe teaching sessions, eg videos at home
 Refresher courses to keep informed of updates
 To be kept up to date with educational developments
 Availability of training is more important than the content at present
 refresher courses to keep up to date
 Question and answer sessions prove very useful
 Short policy updates or key briefings
 More computer based courses because of time constraints
 ongoing refresher training
 Further guidance on monitoring and evaluation role
 training specific to ones own school would be beneficial
 Governor body training to understand the role of the governor
 Clear indications of how to run a years work and info on new responsibilities, eg examples of good practice

Government/Law

Help understanding jargon / and constantly changing political requirements / & changing means of assessment
 To be kept up to date with new requirements / Law etc.
 Timely updates on key government initiatives required
 Ongoing changes to legislation
 Continual updating on curriculum and legislation developments
 new initiatives/change to law
 Updates on government legislation as and when required

Finance

More insight into budget flow charts
Financial/budget training needed
Further training eg education budget, law relating to governors
more support with financial requirements
More financial training
understanding of the school budget
understanding financial spreadsheets

Health & Safety

health and safety training
Health and safety updates

Specific Roles

Help in understanding the role of governors in church schools
link governor - lesson observation technique and do's and don'ts
Roles and responsibilities of personnel chair
Role as curriculum committee chair
To fully understand my role as a parent governor, chair of finance
committee & link governor for numeracy.

Specialist Training

Specialised training event courses and new curriculum issues
Child protection training courses to get more involved and qualified
Special needs and disability equality
Training on bullying, as this has been cancelled
Training on special needs if possible
Working with children course