

Want to make a difference to your child's school experience?

Here at Cliftonville Primary and Pre-School we'd love you to get involved.

PTFA

What they do: Help raise money for the school and add to the school community. They plan, organise and run events such as the Christmas fair, discos, raffles, the summer colour run, etc. There is a small committee who make decisions and organise things but lots of volunteers are needed to help run the events.

Time commitment: As much or as little as you are able to!

Useful skills: Good communication, teamwork, creativity, budgeting skills, marketing, DIY, enthusiasm.

Contact: Mr Pringle (Y5/6 phase leader)

Parent Forum

What they do: Share ideas, ask questions and give feedback to help improve the school. They discuss school-wide issues and contribute towards school decision making. They chat about what is working well and what could be better to help the school understand what families need.

Time commitment: One meeting once a term for 1 hour.

Useful skills: Confidence, good listening skills, teamwork, problem-solving, interest in the school.

Contact: Mrs Mayhew (Assistant Headteacher)

Governors

What they do: Provide oversight and accountability for the school to ensure children get the best education possible. They work with the senior leadership team to make strategic decisions, approve policies and budgets and ask challenging questions to monitor its performance to ensure the school is doing a good job. They act as a "critical friend".

Time commitment: One meeting a term on a Wednesday evening for usually around 2 hours + at least one monitoring visit to school during the school year

Useful skills: Good communication, critical thinking, passion for the school, understanding of budgets and data (it's especially useful if you have a background in education, finance, legal, IT, or business)

Contact: See Ms Whichcord (Headteacher) if you are interested

Volunteering

What they do: Anything and everything! You could hear readers, help organise and tidy the library, accompany a class on a school trip, help with displays or artwork or anything else that you are interested in or have the skills for.

Time commitment: As much or as little as you are able to!

Useful skills: Patience, good listening skills, interest in children and helping.

Contact: See your child's phase leader or the office ladies

