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Jeremiah 17: 7 - 8

## CO-OPTED GOVERNOR VACANCY

Thank you for showing interest in becoming a school governor. Our school is a vibrant, inclusive, and supportive community where every child is encouraged to thrive both academically and personally. We are proud of our dedicated staff, enthusiastic pupils, and strong partnerships with families. To learn more about our values, curriculum, and what makes our school special, please visit our website: <https://fed-mas.n-yorks.sch.uk/>

We truly appreciate your willingness to consider this important volunteer role. Governors play a vital part in the strategic leadership of the school, helping to shape its direction, support its growth, and ensure the best outcomes for all pupils. Your time, perspective, and commitment could make a real and lasting difference in our school community.

Becoming a school governor is a rewarding way to support our schools. As part of the governing board, you'll help shape the strategic direction of the federation, support the leadership team, and ensure that the schools are delivering the best possible outcomes for pupils. No previous experience is needed—just enthusiasm, commitment, and a willingness to get involved. Full training and ongoing support will be provided.

An effective board will have a range of skills, and we would welcome applications from those who are passionate about supporting education and making a positive impact in our school communities. While no specific background is required, experience in any of the following areas would be especially beneficial:

- Finance
- Health and Safety
- Capital Projects Management

There are some circumstances under which someone cannot serve as a governor and these are detailed in the Disqualification Declaration that needs to be completed alongside this application form.

Training and support will be available to help you develop into the role. This will include in-house mentoring and support as well as access to external governor training.

If you feel you can help in this capacity please complete the application form below.

You should be aware that successful candidates will be required to:

- undergo a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check
- sign a governors' Code of Conduct
- provide details of relevant business and financial interests
- agree to the publication of some details on the school website and on the [Get Information about schools service](#).

If we receive more applications than there are vacancies, a selection process will be held. Applicants will be contacted with further details should this be necessary.

Further information about governors and the work they do can be found at  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/local-authority-maintained-schools-governance>.

If you would like a confidential conversation or to know more about the role of a governor at our school please do not hesitate to contact me and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'M L Mann'.

Marie Mann  
Executive Headteacher  
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## The Federation of Middleham (VA) & Spennithorne (VC) CE Primary Schools

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### APPLICATION FORM FOR CO-OPTED GOVERNOR

Name of School:	The Federation of Middleham & Spennithorne CE Primary Schools
Name of candidate	
Date of birth	
Address	
Signature	

**Experience and/or interests relevant to serving as a governor:**

## REFERENCES

Please give the name and addresses of two referees (not relatives).

**Please note your referees should ideally be a previous line manager or someone in a position of authority.**

### Referee One:

Title:	First forename:
Surname:	Job title:
Address line 1:	Address line 2:
Town:	County:
Postcode:	Country:
Telephone number:	Email address:
Relationship to you:	Do you give permission for referee to be contacted prior to an offer of the position being made?  Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

### Referee Two:

Title:	First forename:
Other forename:	Surname:
Address line 1:	Address line 2:
Town:	County:
Postcode:	Country:
Telephone number:	Email address:

Occupation:	
Relationship to you?	<p>Do you give permission for referees to be contacted prior to an offer of the position being made?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/>      No <input type="checkbox"/></p>

Please return the following documents with this form:

- ✓ a signed copy of the disqualification declaration form

**THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE HEAD TEACHER BY Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025, noon.**