

Corvus Learning Trust – Advert for New Trustees

ABOUT OUR TRUST

Corvus Learning Trust was established in January 2018 by its founding schools; Oaklands Infant, Oaklands Junior, Hatch Ride Primary and Edgbarrow School. We represent and look to improve all phases of education, from Early Years through to Key Stage 5 and are based in Crowthorne, Berkshire.

The Trust is a family of schools, initially from the local area, which has shared values and a common ethos in the delivery of education. We work together in collaboration and share good practice whilst retaining our individuality.

The Trust Board seeks new Trustees to help us to support the delivery of our strategic plan and our Vision and Mission.

Our Vision is: *“Deliver an exceptional education to all our young people”*

Our Mission is:

- *Deliver outstanding outcomes*
- *Achieve sustainable growth*
- *Provide excellent Trust services.*

Our Values are:

Our Values, which were created from input across the Trust, underpin the way we operate, work together and behave. At the centre of our Values is that *“We give every young person the opportunity to fulfil their potential”*.



Our schools are supported by a Central Team that offer a range of expertise including raising standards, school improvement, Leadership and Management, Finance, HR, policies and governance.

All of our schools are judged by Ofsted as Good or better.

Our Chief Executive Officer (CEO), as a former headteacher, is an experienced leader who has worked with the development and support of headteachers outside of the Trust and therefore offers support and guidance to the leadership team of our schools and their Local Governing Bodies (LGB).

Having created and established a healthy, viable Trust, we are now growing and developing partnerships with new schools. This is an exciting time to join us and a great opportunity to help lead the Trust.

OUR TRUSTEES

Our Board of Trustees currently consists of 8 individuals who have a wide variety of experience, knowledge and skills and we are keen to grow our team. The role of our Trustees is one of support, challenge and guidance, and, as a smaller Trust is “hands-on” in terms of working with the CEO, LGB, schools and Central Team.

Some of our Trustees have been with us since we established, but we have also developed our Board with wider expertise and diversity. We would like to develop our Board further and in particular with people with knowledge and experience in the areas of Primary Education, Legal, Finance, HR, IT, Safeguarding or Health & Safety. However, we would also be very interested in hearing from anyone who feels they have the ability and commitment to share their passion, drive and energy for the benefit of our children and staff.

Our Board of Trustees meet each half-term. We also have two sub-committees; Education & Outcomes and Business, Assets & Risk which also meet termly, and it is here that the detailed work is carried out. The purpose of the Board of Trustees is to review and discuss strategic and operational matters regarding financial control, leadership & management and school improvement. The CEO reports to the Board of Trustees. In terms of time, the commitment required is a minimum of 6 hours monthly.

Every Trustee is expected to abide by the seven principles of public life set out by Lord Nolan: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership. In the interests of safeguarding and in accordance with DfE requirements, all Trustee appointments will be subject to an enhanced disclosure and barring service check.

If you would like any further information on our Trust or the role of a Trustee please contact us at enquiries@corvuslearningtrust.co.uk. We would be happy to have an informal conversation with you, if you would like to discuss the role with one of our Trustees.

If you would like to apply to be a Trustee of Corvus Learning Trust please complete the Trustee application form that can be found on our website (corvuslearningtrust.co.uk).

Stephen James – Chair of Board of Trustees