

8th November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION - November 2021

I wrote to you on 20th September 2021 to invite nominations for the vacancies for parent governors. I am delighted to say that there has been a good response and there are three candidates for the two vacancies. This means we must now hold a ballot.

I enclose the governor candidate statements and the ballot paper. You can vote for up to two of the candidates. As indicated on the ballot paper, you should vote by marking an X alongside the names of the parents you support.

Also enclosed are two envelopes. This is intended to ensure that how you vote remains confidential. Once you have marked the ballot paper you should seal it in the unmarked envelope. Then put this unmarked envelope containing the ballot paper into the second envelope. You should then fill in the details as required on the outside of the second envelope and add your signature. The closing date for the return of ballot papers is 19th November 2021.

When the envelopes have been received we will check the outer envelopes to make sure that they are from parents who are entitled to vote. They are then opened and the inner envelopes are placed unopened in the ballot box. This ensures that when we later open the inner envelopes to count the votes there is no way of telling who voted for whom.

The election will be decided by a simple majority of votes cast. In the event of a tie, lots will be drawn.

Yours sincerely



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Model ballot paper

Election of Parent Governor(s)

BALLOT PAPER

This voting paper lists all the candidates nominated for the parent/staff governor vacancies on the school's governing body.

YOU MAY VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO CANDIDATES

Name of Candidate	<i>Insert X against the candidate(s) you support</i>
Claire Styles	
James Forbes	
Joanna Abram	

Governor candidate statements

Claire Styles

I'm the current Chair of Governors, committed to improving the standard of education for all pupils.

I trained in all aspects of school governance. I have a local network of governors and I sit on the Essex Schools Forum.

I'm a proud mum of a boy in year 5 and another in Reception, I also work part-time as a Crown Servant.

James Forbes

I am a father of two children at the school and have worked in education for 20 years. Currently I am employed by a secondary school trust as a Deputy Headteacher working across multiple schools to oversee the provision for Pupil Premium funding.

I am passionate about primary education having started my career in a primary role. I have also previously served on another primary school governing body.

Joanna Abram

I'm passionate about my children having a great school education and would love to contribute.

As a Head of Marketing in a large food company, I have experience in developing teams, managing budgets and optimising processes to improve outcomes. I'd love to use my business background to work with the school team and drive positive change for our school.