

ST MARGARET CLITHEROW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Parent Governor Election – Ballot Paper

We are delighted to have received nomination forms from six parents for the one vacant place. All of the nominations have been verified. This now means that we must hold an election and parents are invited to vote for the candidate of their choice.

The voting slip will be available in the office for you to cast your vote. Please put **a cross** against the name of your preferred candidate and post the slip in the sealed ballot box which will be available for you in the front reception area. Please use this to post your ballot paper by **3pm Monday 30th March.**

The box will be available Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th, Thursday 26th, Friday 27th and Monday 30th March, when you drop your children off in the morning and collect them in the afternoon.

The candidates have given some background details about themselves to help you make your decision, which you can find below

There will be a notice on the school jotter to announce the results on **Tuesday 31st March.**

CANDIDATES' SUPPORTING STATEMENTS

Charlotte DeSouza

Dear Parents and Governors,

My name is Charlotte De Souza. My son Eric I in Year 3. He is the youngest of four children. The elder three are now young adults and they to were pupils at St Margaret Clitherow.

In my spare time I volunteer at our local parish, English Martyrs, and also read with the younger children on Mondays and Wednesdays in school. I find this very rewarding as I enjoy helping and interacting with the children.

If given the privilege to become a parent governor I feel I would bring my years of experience in facilities management as well as my experience raising four vibrant, energetic, unique and loving boys.

I care deeply about the school community and would welcome the opportunity to support the school's leadership, help ensure the best outcome for all the pupils, and represent the views of parents in a positive and constructive way.

Yours sincerely,

Charlotte DeSouza

Monique Gomez

Dear Parents and Governors,

I am compelled to apply to this post due to my strong personal connection to the school and my desire to contribute meaningfully to it's confirmed growth. Having attended myself, I attribute the support, structure and profound sense of community at such a young age to the shaping of my confidence, character and development. It is now a privilege to witness my own son benefiting from the same environment.

As both an alumni and now a parent, I believe I bring a unique perspective that combines the lived experience of the school's culture with a fresh, forward outlook. I care very deeply about the success of all the children and would be honoured to serve the structure that is responsible for that. I am fully prepared to dedicate the time and effort required and to approach the role with responsibility, openness and integrity. It would be an honour to give back to the community that gave the younger me the tools of love, faith and a knowing of Christ, equipping me for life. I love SMC!

Yours sincerely,

Moinique Gomez

Fiseha Bimeraw

Personal Statement for a Parent Governor Position

I am interested in applying for the position of Parent Governor as a parent of three children attending the school. As a parent, I care deeply about the quality of education and the positive environment the school provides, and I would welcome the opportunity to make a valuable contribution to its continued success.

I hold a Master's degree in Information Technology and currently work as a college lecturer. In my role, I teach and support students, work collaboratively with colleagues, and contribute to improving learning outcomes. The experience has helped me develop strong communication, organisational, and problem-solving skills, which I believe would be beneficial in the role of a Parent Governor.

Being both a parent and an educator gives me a balanced perspective on the importance of supporting students, staff, and the wider school community. I am keen to work as part of a team to help support the school's vision, contribute to discussions and decisions, and ensure that all students have the best opportunities to succeed.

I am eager to develop new skills and gain a deeper understanding of school governance while supporting the school's future development.

Thank you for your consideration.

Fiseha Bimeraw

Chanelle Wood

Dear Parents and Governors,

I would like to put myself forward as a school governor as I care about my daughter's education and the community she learns in. Being involved allows me to support the school and help where needed. I believe it is important for parents to have a voice, working with staff and governors and helping put forward ideas that support the well being, learning and success that every child needs.

Yours sincerely,

Chanelle Wood

Andrew Tkaczyk

I would be honoured to serve as a Parent Governor at St Margaret Clitherow. As a parent at the school, I care deeply about the education, wellbeing and future opportunities of all the children in our community.

Like many parents, I want our children to leave school with strong academic foundations, but also with the confidence, curiosity and resilience they will need in a world that is changing quickly. With the growing influence of technology and an uncertain global economy, schools play an even more important role in helping children feel prepared for the future.

With a background in client services, I spend much of my time listening to different perspectives, offering my own, and helping teams work towards shared goals. I am used to balancing the need to provide effective support whilst being impartial enough to confidently challenge leaders when needed.

St Margaret Clitherow is a diverse and welcoming community, with families from many different backgrounds. As a Parent Governor, I would aim to offer a parental perspective to issues being discussed respectfully and constructively, while supporting the leadership team and staff in continuing to provide the best possible environment for every child.

I am the parent/carer of a child at the School, and I am willing to serve as a Governor if elected. I understand the commitment involved and will endeavour to attend training session to assist me in the role.

Kind regards,
Andrew Tkaczyk

Prisca Okoye

Dear Parents and Governors,

I would like to become a Parent Governor not just for the deeper affection of supporting our school and children but also for the parents to be the bridging gap that understands the challenges that families face and the needs that may be required to ensure their voices are heard on school decisions.

I am committed to working with staff and fellow governors to support learning and well being development. As I have founded a Mum's group which aligns with similar attributes, I feel it is important to create a safe and inspiring environment to help enable a smooth relationship between parents and the school.

Yours sincerely,

Prisca Okoye