

Allerton Grange School



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Road Safety Awareness

Be a considerate on driver
Do not park restricted areas on Talbot Avenue or Lidgett Lane
Be respectful of our local residents
Please use the turning circle paying attention to the speed limit
Obey speeding restrictions; they are there to protect our children
Look after the environment and switch off your engine, when stationary,
for cleaner air!

Our Ref: MRp/BMa
22 May 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNORS

I write further to my letter of 7 May inviting nominations for our parent governor vacancy.

As we have received two nominations for the role of parent governor, we will hold a secret ballot. Voting is on the basis of each parent and/or **legal** guardian being allowed to vote for **one** of the two candidates. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will then be declared elected. If it is a tie, there is then the further option of drawing lots or tossing a coin. If you have more than one child in school, it is possible you will receive more than one set of ballot papers, please throw away all but one.

In order to meet the requirements of a secret ballot, please seal your completed ballot paper in an envelope, which should then be sealed inside another envelope. **It is important that you do not write anything on the inner envelope.**

The following should be written on the outer envelope:

- Name and form of your child;
- Name of Parent 1 along with signature;
- Name of Parent 2 along with signature (if applicable).

Please return the envelope which should contain one voting slip (per parent/carer) to me, either via your child's Form Tutor or main reception, at the school, by 3.00 pm, Monday 10 June 2024.

Counting of the votes will take place, in school, at 3.30 pm the same day. Once known, the results of the election will be communicated to the Governors' Unit at Leeds City Council, the parents of children at Allerton Grange and to the other members of the governing body.

The Candidates

Anna Lees
Janie Readman

We are extremely grateful to the two parent applicants for offering themselves as candidates for the parent governor vacancies. Nominees were invited to provide a prepared statement, copies of which are enclosed.

Yours faithfully

Mr M Roper
Headteacher



ANNA LEES – PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am a Highly Specialist Speech and Language Therapist, who after 10 years working in the NHS founded my own independent company. We are a small and dedicated team who work in schools across Leeds providing services to thousands of vulnerable children. I am passionate about communication, fairness, and children having opportunities to fulfil their potential. After 17 years of my career dedicated to working in mainstream schools, I am all too aware of the pressure under which leaders operate in supporting children, particularly with budget restrictions affecting their ability to meet the increasing range and severity of needs.

We are a blended family with five children who have each had their own struggles at different times. After a difficult two years being bullied at another high school, my daughter joined Allerton Grange School in Y9; she has blossomed in their nurturing and inclusive environment. The pastoral support and compassion AGS showed her is clearly a key theme running throughout.

After seeing the impact that a healthy, supportive and caring environment had on her, I feel compelled to donate my time and expertise as a business owner and allied health professional to support this wonderful school.

JANIE READMAN – PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am a marketing professional with over 20 years' experience.

In my role within a global marketing agency, I am a senior leader, managing a large, diverse team, focusing on career development, mentoring and performance management. I am a member of the board and accountable for the commercial success and strategic positioning of consumer brands, executing large campaigns across social media PR, partnerships and content SEO.

I lead on the recruitment of apprentices offering them the opportunity to work and study in marketing straight from school, a viable option to university.

I am committed to supporting women in the workplace and am a mentor for a networking body, coaching women who are in the early stages of their career. I run a parent and carers group within the agency, ensuring our business supports those with additional responsibilities.

My eldest daughter is in Year 7 at AGS and has settled brilliantly into secondary school. My youngest is in primary and will be joining AGS soon.

I am passionate about helping young people access the provisions and opportunities around them to progress successfully and happily in education and in the community. Ultimately, helping them foster an innovative approach to lifelong learning and personal development.