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LYNFIELD COLLEGE PARENT BOARD ELECTION CANDIDATE PROFILES

AHMED, Zahir



Candidate Profile: Zahir AhmedMy name is Zahir Ahmed, and I am honoured to stand for election to the Lynfield College Board. I have proudly lived in the Lynfield area for over twelve years. My daughter graduated from Lynfield College and is now studying at the University of Auckland. My son is currently in Year 10. As a parent, educator, and active community member, I am deeply committed to supporting Lynfield College's continued success and its role in shaping confident, capable young people. I am a Senior Lecturer in Accounting at Auckland University of Technology (AUT), where I have taught and coordinated courses across undergraduate and postgraduate programmes for nearly two decades. I have led curriculum development, supervised student research, and contributed to national and international academic initiatives. My work has received recognition through a Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award and is centred on student success, fairness, and real-world learning. If elected to the Board, I will bring academic and governance expertise, a collaborative mindset, and a strong sense of community responsibility. I believe in fostering inclusive, future-focused education that equips students not just to succeed in exams, but to thrive in a rapidly changing world. One of my key priorities would be to encourage stronger linkages between secondary and tertiary education. I have seen many school-leavers struggle during the transition to university. Drawing on my own university experience, I would work to promote initiatives such as early exposure to university-style learning, mentoring, and career pathway planning. I believe Lynfield College can lead in this space, helping students make confident, informed decisions about their futures. I am also passionate about digital learning, equity of access, student wellbeing, and creating spaces where every learner feels valued and supported. I bring experience from both academic leadership and community engagement, having helped organise education-focused events and worked closely with migrant and ethnic communities in Auckland.Lynfield College has contributed significantly to my own family's journey. I now wish to give back by supporting its ongoing development as a place of academic strength, cultural diversity, and positive growth. I will listen carefully, act with integrity, and serve with dedication.

AULAKH, Geetika



Kia ora, my name is Geetika Aulakh, and I'm honoured to stand for re-election to the Board. As a returning member, I bring not only experience but a deep commitment to our school community—one built on shared values of integrity, inclusion, and collaboration. Over the past few years, I've had the privilege of contributing to decisions that support the wellbeing and success of our students, staff, and families. $My\ time\ on\ the\ Board\ has\ strengthened\ my\ belief\ that\ when\ we\ work\ together-wh\bar{a}nau,\ educators,\ and\ community-we\ create\ an$ environment where every child can thrive. I hold a senior leadership role where I lead strategic initiatives that focus on long-term value and operational effectiveness. These skills help me contribute meaninafully to the governance of our school, ensuring we remain financially sound and future-focused. But more than that. I bring a heart for service and a passion for education. I believe in nurturing resilience in our students and helping them discover what makes them shine. Education is more than academics—it's about building confident, compassionate individuals who feel supported to explore their passions and grow into their full potential. I am especially passionate about ensuring that every student feels seen, heard, and valued. As a parent of two daughters currently attending the school, I have a personal stake in its success and a deep understanding of the needs and aspirations of our families. I regularly engage with other parents and community members, and I value the strong relationships that make our school a welcoming and inclusive place for all. These connections are the foundation of a vibrant school culture, and I'm committed to strengthening them further. I'm also actively involved in community in the community of the community ofinitiatives that support youth development and wellbeing. I believe that schools are at the heart of strong communities, and I'm passionate about ensuring our school continues to be a place where students are empowered to grow, lead, and contribute, if re-elected, I will continue to advocate for transparency, innovation, and student wellbeing. I will work collaboratively with fellow Board members, staff, and our wider community to ensure our school remains a place where every learner feels supported and inspired. Thanks Geetika

BAIG, Muhammad



I want to be part of Lynfield College Parent Board to contribute my observations, experiences and feedback for the wellbeing and betterment of the students of Lynfield College.

BAKER, Donna



I am proud to put myself forward as a candidate for the Lynfield College School Board of Trustees. With extensive experience in Operational Excellence, team development and strategic management I bring a strong set of professional skills and a deep commitment to supporting quality education and community outcomes. As the Head of Retail Excellence and Agency Operations for NZ Post I have a proven track record in leading high preforming teams, driving customer centric transformation and ensuring accountability across large networks. My role requires effective governance, astute financial oversight and stakeholder engagement – all skills transferable to the responsibilities of a school board trustee. As a parent of both current and past students I am passionate about ensuring our schools provide an inclusive, empowering environment where students can thrive. If elected I will bring strategic insight, governance and operational expertise, strong communication and relationship skills. I am also well versed in the need to build relationships beyond the school gate – having been instrumental in the major fundraising supporting 2916E to attend the world robotics championships 2 years running. I would be honoured to serve and contribute to the continued success of our school. I attach below a link to my LinkedIn profile to support my application.https://www.linkedin.com/in/donna-baker-26540b47/Donna Baker

BALAKRISHNAN, Rabindhran A



Kia ora I am Robin and I am nominating myself for the college parent board. As a parent of Keshinii, I am deeply invested in the success of our college. I have 9 years experience as committee member in Glenavon school board. I believe my skills would be valuable in helping the board to achieve its strategic goals.

DEWAR, Leena



Kia Ora & Bula VinakaMy name is Leena Dewar and I'm proud to stand as a candidate for the school board. As a mother of two—aged 15 and 12—I have a deep connection to our school community. One of my children currently attends Lynfield College, and the other is in intermediate. I'm passionate about ensuring all our children have access to a safe, inclusive and high-quality education that supports both their academic and personal growth. I also bring a personal history with the school, having studied at the same high school myself. I understand the values, challenges and opportunities that come with being part of this learning environment and I'm committed to helping it thrive for future generations. Professionally, I have experience in office & business management, accounting and human resources. These skills are highly relevant to school board responsibilities such as budgeting, strategic planning and supporting staff. I believe in practical, transparent decision-making and I am confident I can contribute positively to the board's governance and direction. I am approachable, organised and committed to making a difference. I would be privileged to represent our school community and contribute to a supportive and successful future for all students.

FALETAU, Mel



As a proud Pasifika parent, I am deeply committed to the success and well-being of all students at our school, especially our Pasifika young people. I believe that when our communities are represented, heard, and supported, we thrive I am standing for the Board because I want to be a strong voice for our families and to help shape an environment where all students regardless of background, can reach their full potential. I bring with me lived experience, a passion for service, and a desire to uplift and empower our young people to be confident in who they are and strive for excellence. Our Pasifika students are capable of doing amazing things when they are encouraged, valued, and given the right support. I want to contribute to building a school culture that celebrates diversity, strengthens achievement, and encourages all students to be the best version of themselves. Together, we can create a school community where everyone feels seen, supported, and

FLEMING, Sarah



Kia ora koutou, my name is Sarah Fleming and I am standing for the board for Lynfield College. Greg and I, have four children, three currently attending Lynfield and one child in their final year of Primary School. For the past nine years I have loved serving this community as a board member on the Marshall Laina School board, for the past few years, I have been the Presiding Member (chair), I am also a board member of the Marshall Laing Music School board. As a Primary School board we have a strong emphasis on student achievement, have undertaken several property projects and navigated challenges. We have developed good systems and effective policy and an excellent working relationship with our principal. I hope to support the Lynfield College board in a similar way. I have a keen interest in governance and work as an Integrated Governance and Employment Advisor for Te Whakarōpūtanga Kaitiaki Kura O Aotearoa, The NZ School Board Association. In my professional life I support school boards across the Auckland region to grow in their governance capability, and I also support Principal's managing employment issues. Prior to working with school boards, I have been a mobiliser, communications coordinator and worked in the employment relations sector. I have a Bachelor of Arts from The University of Auckland where I majored in Organisational Studies. Our whānau attend Mt Roskill Baptist Church and have worked with youth and young adults in this neighbourhood for many years. What I would bring to the role is a sense of humour, integrity, strengths in strategic planning, listening and asking robust questions. I would like the opportunity to continue serving as a board member in this community and have seen firsthand how effective governance and parents participating in their school grows whole communities. In our five years of sending our children to Lynfield College we have been encouraged by the embedding of the school korowai of values to align with the school systems like attendance and pastoral care. Our kids have found a place to belong here, and we are looking forward to many more years in the school.

FOY, Maria



Kia ora, I'm Maria Foy - a mum of two, a proud member of our school community and someone who deeply values education and the role it plays in shaping our confident, and capable tamariki. My daughter is currently in Year 9, and my son will be joining in the coming years. This school is not just a place of learning for my kids, it's a space that will be part of our family's life for a long time. That's why I've decided to put my name forward - because I care about the direction of our school and I want to play an active role in supporting its success. Professionally, I've spent over a decade growing an online platform that focuses on parenting, mental health, and the realities of family life. I've built a large community online by being open, honest, and willing to have the tough conversations - often around things that aren't talked about enough. I understand the pressures modern families face, and I'm passionate about creating supportive, inclusive environments for both students and their whānau. I bring a unique mix of communication skills, critical thinking, and creative problemsolving. I'm also not afraid to ask questions or challenge the status quo when needed ... especially if it means creating a better outcome for our students. My experience with content creation and digital strategy could also offer value in areas like school communications and community engagement. Most importantly, I'm grounded, approachable, and committed to being a genuine voice, and advocate, for parents and rangatahi in our school community. I believe in fairness, transparency, and doing the work to ensure all students at Lynfield College can thrive - academically, socially and emotionally. Thanks for considering my nomination. Ngā mihi, Maria Foy

GALLAHER, Annuncia



My name is Annuncia Gallaher. I am standing for the Board of Trustees for Lynfield College to represent in general also our Pasifika families and be a voice for all of them as needed. I'm married to Soane Gallaher and we had six beautiful children. We are Tongans and had lived locally for more than 16yrs in the area. The eldest is already finished school, we have 4 children currently at Lynfield and our youngest will join them in 2026 for Yr 9. I am currently working at Blockhouse Bay Primary school but always supported and involved with my children studies at Lynfield College. My daughter Selitema is one of the Pasifika Leaders Yr 13 at school. The rest of my children are doing well and enjoyed their learning at school. I have been an active Board member for 6 years at Blockhouse Bay Primary School. I look forward to sharing my skill and knowledge and bringing to the Board of Trustees at Lynfield College in the areas of school governance, finance, property, health and safety, personnel and strategic planning and review. I feel my experience would enable me to best support the school in any areas of identified need, and to also bring a new perspective if this was required. I am passionate about our children's education and proud of the school's diverse learning opportunities, facilities, staff and how all of these components allow our children to achieve their full potential. I would like to contribute by building a stronger sense of whanau and community with the school, supporting our tamariki to achieve success while being proud of who they are, ensuring high quality communication and transparency about issues that will affect our children, the staff and our school community. I am seeking your vote for this election. It would be my pleasure and privilege to serve on the Board of Trustees at Lynfield College.

HARRON, Michelle

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Tēnā koutou katoa,Ko Michelle Harron tōku ingoa, and I'm a parent of a Year 11 student at Lynfield College. I'm standing for election to the Board of Trustees because I believe in the power of inclusive education, cultural strength, and whānau involvement to help all our students thrive. I bring over 20 years of experience working across the creative and public sectors, including as a Television Producer for Māori Television, Project Coordinator at the New Zealand Film Commission, and now as Executive Assistant/Team Project Coordinator in the Māori Strategy and Partnerships team at Creative New Zealand. Across all of these roles, I've built strong skills in governance support, stakeholder engagement, cultural capability, and project leadership. I've worked closely with executive teams, supported the delivery of Māori-Crown initiatives, and coordinated high-level reporting and decision-making processes. I know what good planning and partnership look like — and how they can benefit the success of any kaupapa, especially for our rangatahi. Lynfield College's values — Whanaungatanga, Manaakitanga, Kaitiakitanga, and Pūkengatanga align seemlessly with how I work and parent. I believe in building respectful and connected communities, nurturing people's growth, and ensuring everyone has access to opportunities, support and safety. If elected, I would bring a culturally grounded, future-focused and solution-minded voice to the Board. I would champion clear communication, inclusive decision-making, and policies that empower students of all backgrounds to reach their full potential. I understand how important it is that our school board reflects the diversity and aspirations of our community. I care deeply about the success of my own child and all the young people at Lynfield. I would be honoured to contribute to the governance of a school that values excellence, wellbeing and belonging. Ngā mihi nui for your consideration. Ngā manaakitanga, Mechele Harron

JOSEPH, Sandeep



Lynfield College is special! It has its own flavor and feel that is distinct when compared to other schools in the area. This I know as my child studies at Lynfield College, a child of mine and my wife are Lynfield College Alumni. I have a good understanding of the things that Lynfield College does well and I am passionate about building on that so that the children of our community can enjoy our school even more. I have over the last 21 years of my career gained a lot of knowledge and experience from both the corporate and business worlds which gives me a lot of transferrable skills that can be applied in my role as a member of the board. As a father of 3 children, 2 of whom have studied at Lynfield College, I have witnessed my children live and breathe the values of Lynfield College. I do have the capability to understand what's best for the children of our community and I look forward to playing my part in the board with steering the school in the right direction and towards further growth. I look forward to being of service to our community.

KAUR, Amandeep



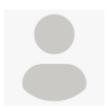
My name is Amandeep Kaur, and I am excited to nominate myself for the Lynfield College Parent Board Election. As a dedicated parent and experienced education professional, I believe I bring a valuable blend of skills, insight, and commitment to supporting the school community. I currently work as a Program Manager at skids, where I lead out-of-school care programs with a strong focus on child development, safety, and engagement. I have over 15 years of experience in teaching and mentoring children, supported by formal studies in child psychology and a diploma in counselling. These qualifications have not only deepened my understanding of young people's needs but also enhanced my ability to guide, support, and advocate for them effectively. I am a confident communicator and a natural orator who enjoys engaging with people from all backgrounds. My strengths lie in problem-solving, collaboration, and creating positive environments through teamwork and empathy. I firmly believe that strong partnerships between parents and schools are essential to student success. With a passion for education and student wellbeing, I would be honoured to contribute to Lynfield College's vision and goals by serving on the Parent Board.

KHAN, Nazeeyath



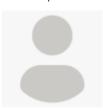
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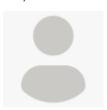
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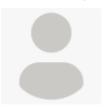
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LAL, Sheetal



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MATHUR, Priya



My name is Priya, and I am pleased to nominate myself for the Lynfield College Board of Trustees as a parent representative. As a parent of children at Lynfield College, I am passionate about supporting our school and ensuring all students have the opportunity to succeed. I bring relevant governance experience from serving on the AUT Industry Advisory Board. I am also a current board member of West Auckland Budget Services, which has given me valuable insights into community needs, financial responsibility, and supporting families from diverse backgrounds. These roles have strengthened my skills in communication, collaboration, and problem-solving. I believe in transparent, inclusive decision-making and am committed to fostering a positive, supportive environment for students, staff, and families. If elected, I will listen to our community, advocate for high-quality education, and work constructively with the board and school leadership. I am dedicated to ensuring open communication and accountability, and to representing the interests of all Lynfield College families. Thank you for considering my nomination. I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to the ongoing success of Lynfield College. Kind regards, Priya

MOTUPALLY, Prashanth



My name is Prashanth Motupally, and I am pleased to stand for nomination to the Lynfield College Parent Board. As a parent, business owner, and active community leader, I am deeply committed to supporting the success and wellbeing of all students at Lynfield College.I hold a Master's degree in Political Science and have extensive experience in community leadership, working closely with diverse groups to promote inclusion, engagement, and positive outcomes. As a local business owner, I understand the importance of strategic planning, financial responsibility, and clear communication — all skills that I believe are valuable in the governance of a dynamic educational institution like Lynfield College.If elected to the Board, my priorities will include:1) Strengthening partnerships between families, school leadership, and the wider community2) Advocating for equity, diversity, and inclusive education3) Supporting student wellbeing, achievement, and opportunities for success4) Contributing to sound governance, transparency, and long-term planningl believe that education is a powerful tool for change, and I am passionate about creating an environment where every student is empowered to reach their full potential. I would be honoured to serve on the Parent Board and bring my knowledge, leadership, and commitment to the role. Thank you for your support. Warm regards, Prashanth Motupally

NORTH, Melanie



Kia ora koutou,My name is Melanie North, and I'm proud to be part of the Lynfield College community, having joined this year when my son began Year 9.A little about myself...I come from a teaching background, having moved into the not for profit sector two years ago after nearly twenty years in education. I now work as a national curriculum advisor for an NGO that delivers a range of social service and education programmes across the country. We work closely with families, supporting children, parents, and the wider community to uplift those facing a range of barriers. In this role, I focus on curriculum integrity and development, as well as contractual reporting to funders and the Ministry of Education. My teaching experience has shaped my knowledge and skills in child development, curriculum, regulatory requirements, and strategic planning. My current role continues to expand that foundation - deepening my understanding of not for profit structures and board processes, particularly through involvement in annual and strategic planning. I've also developed strong stakeholder relationship and engagement skills, which I believe are key to successful governance and community connection. Outside of work, my community involvement has centered around my son's school and sports activities. I managed and coached his school hockey team for four years - culminating in a division win - and have been an active member of his sports club for over a decade. My transition into the not for profit sector has felt like a natural extension of the voluntary work I've always valued. In my spare time, I enjoy reading, watching TV, and spending time with family - often from the sidelines at my son's sporting events.I'm standing for the school board because I care deeply about the quality of education our children receive and the role schools play in shaping strong, confident, and well-supported young people. With my background in teaching and curriculum development, and my ongoing work within the not for profit education and social services sector, I believe I can make a meaningful contribution to board discussions and decisions. I'm passionate about ensuring our school continues to reflect the needs of its learners, whānau, and the wider community. Thank you for your time and consideration. Melanie

PATEL, Priya



Kia ora koutou,My name is Priya Patel, and I am proud to put myself forward as a candidate for the Lynfield College Board of Trustees. As a parent of two boys currently attending the school, I have a strong personal connection to the Lynfield community and a deep interest in supporting the wellbeing, achievement and success of all students. In my professional life I bring a unique blend of experience from both the education and business sectors. I currently serve as the Executive Officer for the Ako Hiko Education Trust, where I work to promote digital equity and support schools in delivering meaningful learning through access to technology and community partnerships. This role has given me firsthand insight into the challenges and opportunities facing schools in today's evolving educational landscape, as well as valuable experience in governance, funding, and collaboration across schools and organisations. In addition to this, I am a real estate salesperson with Barfoot & Thompson, working in our local community and engaging daily with families from diverse backgrounds. Through this work I've developed strong communication, negotiation and problem-solving skills – qualities I believe are essential in a board role. I am passionate about creating an inclusive, future-focused environment at Lynfield College – one where every student feels valued, supported, and encouraged to reach their full potential. I believe the board plays a vital role in setting the direction of the school and ensuring it continues to serve the needs of students, staff and whānau alike. If given the opportunity, I would bring a balanced and thoughtful voice to the board table – one grounded in professional experience, community awareness and, above all, a genuine desire to see our students thrive. Ngā mihi nuiPriya Patel

POTAUAINE, Linda



I'm standing for the Lynfield College Board of Trustees because I believe in giving back to the school that has given so much to our whānau.Our eldest, Jackson, went through Lynfield to Year 13. He thrived in a school that respected his individuality, supported his love of sport, swimming nationally, playing water polo, and later First XV, and allowed him to learn in his own way. Today, he's a qualified civil engineering graduate, and we credit Lynfield for helping lay that foundation.Our daughter Arlia is now in Year 13, a proud prefect, and immersed in all things music and singing. Lynfield has nurtured her confidence, creativity, and leadership. The world is hers, and we're deeply grateful.I bring strong governance experience, having served on the Waitākere Ranges Local Board, where I've championed transparency, accountability, and community-first decision-making. I understand big budgets, disciplinary processes, and how to balance competing priorities with fairness and clarity.I'm not here to tick boxes, I'm here to serve. I believe schools thrive when trustees listen, lead with integrity, and support both staff and students to reach their full potential. I value Lynfield's proud traditions and its commitment to excellence, equity, and diversity. I want to help ensure that every student, regardless of background or learning style, feels seen, supported, and inspired.As a parent, business owner, and community leader, I know how to ask the right questions, advocate for what matters, and work collaboratively to get results. I'll bring a practical, common-sense approach to board decisions, always putting students and their wellbeing at the centre.Vote for Linda P.For strong governance, real-world experience, and a deep commitment to Lynfield College's future.

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PRASAD, Shailesh



I am honoured to stand for election to the Lynfield College Board, bringing over 25 years of leadership experience in finance, governance, technology, and strategic planning across diverse sectors including education, technology, aviation, insurance, and global distribution. As a proud member of the local community and a passionate advocate for educational excellence, I am committed to supporting the strategy and operations for a global technology distributor and IT solution provider. My previous roles include senior leadership positions at AIA New Zealand and Fiji Airways, where I was responsible for financial planning, treasury, revenue accounting, and operational finance. I have also served as an IATA Instructor, delivering training to aviation finance professionals worldwide. I hold a Master of Business Administration and a Bachelor of Commerce with majors in Accounting, Financial Management, and Economics. My professional development includes executive education from Harvard University and Oxford University. I am a Fellow of CPA Australia (FCPA), a Chartered Global Management Accountant (CGMA), and a member of the Institute of Directors (MInstD).In 2024, I was elected to CPA Australia's New Zealand Divisional Council and currently serve as its Deputy President. I am also a mentor and member ambassador of CPA Australia, actively supporting the development of emerging finance professionals. As a regular speaker at high schools and universities across New Zealand, I share my journey to inspire the next generation of leaders and promote pathways to success through education and resilience. With a strong interest in academia, I have taught at the university level and I am passionate about integrating real-world learning into the classroom. As a technology expert, I am passionate about integrating digital innovation into education. I believe in equipping students with the tools and skills they need to thrive in a rapidly evolving digital world. I will bring this expertise to the Board to help enhance student learning and future readiness.My governance experience, financial acumen, and commitment to community service equip me to contribute meaningfully to the Lynfield College Board. If elected, I will bring integrity, strategic insight, and a collaborative spirit to the Board, working to uphold the values and aspirations of Lynfield College. Vote for me to help elevate student learning at Lynfield College—where innovation meets opportunity, and every learner is empowered to thrive.

SUDAN, Anu



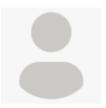
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TAGALOAILUGA, Ritchie



Social worker looking to be involved in good decision making for a greater future for our community.

TUUAUATO, Ruta



Talofa lava, my name is Ruta Tuuauato, and I am honoured to stand as a candidate for the Lynfield College Board of Trustees. As a passionate parent, community member, and advocate for quality education, I am deeply committed to supporting our tamaiti (children), whānau, and kaiako (teachers) in achieving success.I am currently studying towards a Diploma in Early Childhood Education (ECE), where I have learned the importance of strong foundations in learning, well-being, and identity. Through my studies, I've come to deeply understand and appreciate the values of Te Whāriki, our early childhood curriculum, which promotes the principles of empowerment, holistic development, family and community, and relationships. These principles align beautifully with the Lynfield College values of Manaakitanga (care), Ako (learning), Māia (courage), and Kaitiakitanga (guardianship)—values I live by and hope to continue promoting at the board level.As a parent and active member of the Lynfield College community, I am involved in various initiatives that support our students' academic and personal growth. I currently assist our dedicated Samoan language teachers with the NCEA Samoan assessments for students in Years 11 to 13, helping to ensure our Samoan learners are culturally and academically supported to achieve their best.I am also a volleyball coach for both the junior and senior girls' teams, encouraging our young women to build confidence, teamwork, and resilience through sport. These roles have allowed me to build strong relationships with students, staff, and parents, and to witness firsthand the incredible potential of our young people. If elected to the board, I will bring the values of integrity, collaboration, and cultural responsiveness. I will advocate for all families, ensuring their voices are heard and their cultures respected. I am passionate about equity and inclusion, and I want every student-regardless of background-to feel valued, supported, and proud of who they are.lt would be a privilege to serve on the board, and I look forward to working alongside others who are committed to nurturing the future of Lynfield College.Ngā mihi nui, Ruta

WALTERS, Bronwyn



My name is Bronwyn Walters, and I am a proud parent of two children—my daughter is currently completing Year 10 at Lynfield College, and my son is set to begin his journey at the school next year. One of the things I value about Lynfield College is its inclusive and vibrant community, which celebrates students from diverse ethnic backgrounds, with varied interest and aspirations. I am passionate about supporting the school to maintain its excellence, especially as we navigate the evolving landscape of education and employment. With the rise of artificial intelligence, shifts in the job market, and changes to the education system, I believe it is more important than ever to have strong, forward-thinking governance. I bring with me over six years of governance experience as a board member of the Blockhouse Bay Community Centre. Professionally, I have extensive experience in policy development and budget management. Having grown up in this area and returned after living overseas to raise my own children, I have a deep connection to this community. It would be a privilege to contribute to Lynfield College's future and support its continued excellence.