



## Ackworth Howard Church of England (VC) Junior and Infant School

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18<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

### Election of Parent Governors

You may remember that you were recently notified about the election of a Parent Governor to the Governing Body of the school.

2 nominations have been received to fill the vacancy, which means that there has to be an election by ballot. I am, therefore, inviting you to indicate which of the nominees you would wish to be your representatives on the Governing Body. The arrangements for the election are as follows:

- Each nominee has had an opportunity to provide further information about themselves and this has been included to help you decide for whom you wish to vote;
- Each parent will have a separate ballot form and may vote by putting a cross against the name of the person for whom he/she wishes to vote; and
- Each parent is restricted to one ballot form irrespective of the number of children he or she may have attending the school. However, if the ballot form is spoilt, or lost, a duplicate form may be obtained from the school before the closing date.

Completed ballot forms should be returned to the school, either by hand (by your child or yourself) or by post, **no later than Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021.**

In the event of a tie the successful candidate will be decided by the drawing of lots.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Walker  
Headteacher

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# PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION - CANDIDATES

**Name – Jayne Dawson**

Parent of – Elsie

I feel I am an ideal candidate to offer parental perspective to the governing body of the school in a representative but impartial manner. I would like to think that I will be an advocate for the well-being, safety and self-worth of all pupils in the school, not just my own.

My role as a professional engineer varies from developing strategic plans and identifying investment opportunities, to dealing with the day-to-day challenges within a team environment on construction site work on a weekly basis. Working on critical national infrastructure projects, I am used to dealing with highly confidential information in a proper manner which is a quality I will be able to transfer when dealing with sensitive and confidential subjects.

I will be on maternity leave from my main employment in 2022 which will afford me the time to get up to speed on any current and upcoming issues that the school is facing as well as carrying out any initial learning required to assist me in the role as parent governor. I will return to work thereafter however, I will continue to contribute in equal measure.

Outside of work, I volunteer as Deputy Vice Chair of the Midlands section of the Institute of Gas Engineers and Managers. I assist with coordinating an annual programme of events, participating in panels for interviewing and judging competitions and working in a team to reach consensus decisions. I hope that the many transferrable skills I have acquired whilst switching from corporate, to site and home into my family life and managing the many different stakeholders, will assist in the transitioning into the role as parent governor.

I am keen to support the school and believe I have the ability to make an effective contribution to the work of the governing body as a representative parent.

**Name – Craig Emmerson**

Parent of – Ivy

As an employee of Nat West Group I head up the banks commercial manufacturing proposition across Yorkshire. Managing a portfolio of customers with revenue streams up to 30million. I am also part of a working group which is positioning the banks activities towards supporting the transition to a net carbon economy. This involves working with both internal and external stakeholders to ensure we have the right expertise to support the bank's clients with the transition to a net carbon economy.

The interaction I have with clients around supporting their strategic ambitions and goals is a strength I can utilise in the role of school governor. With a finance and commercial background at a Corporate level I feel I can use these skills acquired to aid the school to meet it's own strategic goals.

Outside of work I have a keen interest in sport and physical activity along with spending quality time with the family. The role of school governor would allow me to give something back to the community I live in whilst creating a school environment which will allow our children to thrive and succeed.

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# ACKWORTH HOWARD SCHOOL PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION BALLOT FORM

**Mark an X to indicate the candidate you wish to vote for.**

Only ballot forms marked with a cross (X) will be counted as a vote.

The votes will be counted by school staff, who will decide the validity of dubious or spoilt ballot papers.

**Please return this ballot form to the school, either by hand (by your child or yourself) or by post, no later than Friday 22nd October 2021.**

**Ballot forms received after the above date will be invalid. Please note that, if there is a tie, the election will be decided by the drawing of lots.**

<b>Name: Jayne Dawson</b>	
<b>Name: Craig Emmerson</b>	
<b>PLEASE PLACE A CROSS (X) AGAINST THE CANDIDATES OF YOUR CHOICE.</b>	

