

4 February 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

## PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

I wrote to you on 17 January 2020 to invite nominations for the vacancy for a parent governor.

I am delighted to say that there has been a good response and there are two candidates for the one vacancy. This means we must now hold a ballot.

Attached to this letter is:

- a ballot paper with the names of the candidates (in alphabetical order)
- a copy of the personal statements from the candidates who are Roger Fernandes and Elizabeth Lymer

You may only vote for one candidate. Each parent can submit one ballot paper, regardless of the number of pupils you have attending the school. As indicated on the ballot paper you should vote by marking an 'X' in the box alongside the name of the parent you support.

Once you have marked the ballot paper you should seal it in the envelope provided. This should then be return to the school by **noon on Wednesday 12 February 2020**. Votes received after this time will not be valid.

The election will be decided by a simple majority of votes cast.

When the election has been completed, I will let you know the outcome. If, in the meantime, you have any queries, please let me know.

Yours faithfully,

Steve Solomons  
Headteacher and Returning Officer

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1 x ballot paper

1x envelope



**PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION – 4 February 2020  
BALLOT PAPER**

There is one vacancy for a parent governor.

**Please insert X against the name of the one candidate you wish to vote for.**

Candidates (in alphabetical order)

**Candidate A**

**Mr Roger Fernandes**

I HAVE BEEN A PRIMARY SCHOOL FOUNDATION GOVERNOR FOR THE PAST 11 YEARS AND UNDERSTAND THE COMMITMENT REQUIRED FOR SUCH A ROLE AT RIVERSIDE. I ALSO WORK IN HEALTHCARE IN THE NHS, AND WITH SMALL CHILDREN, AND WISH TO BE A CRITICAL FRIEND FOR THE SCHOOL TO HELP SUPPORT THE DRIVING POSITIVE IMPACT IT HAS ON THE LIVES OF THE CHILDREN.

**Candidate B**

**Ms Elizabeth Lymer**

As a senior leader, outstanding practitioner and a parent I appreciate the commitment, passion and drive required to support children in reaching their potential. I have experience working with parents; training teachers and leading whole school initiatives. I would relish the opportunity to promote the best interests of all Riverside students and contribute to the future of the school.

**THIS BALLOT PAPER MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL, IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED, NO LATER THAN NOON ON WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2020.**

**Please do not add your name or any personal detail to this form or envelope as voting is done on a secret ballot basis.**