



## School Board Parent Nominations 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The North Morley Primary School Board provides additional expertise to assist the school to achieve the best outcomes for students. Its primary role is in contributing to the establishment and review of the school's objectives, priorities and general policy direction.

The current School Board consists of three parents, two staff and the Principal.

As part of the cyclic process of a School Board, places become available due to either the end of their tenure or members are unable to complete their tenure. At this point in time, the North Morley Primary School Board is calling for one (1) parent to fill a 3 year position. Becoming a parent representative on the Board provides a great opportunity to get involved in the school community and therefore the education of your child.

### *Tenure*

**One (1) Parent position – period of three (3) years, finishing in March, 2024.**

If interested, please complete the nomination form and return it to the school office by **2.30pm Tuesday March 30, 2021.**

### *What is a School Board and what does it do?*

All Independent Public Schools in Western Australia have a School Board. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions (governance) of a school within centrally provided guidelines

An unincorporated Board uses approved terms of reference to define its way of working and to meet the requirements of the legislation. North Morley Primary School's Terms of Reference and Code of Conduct is available on request.

### *Who is on the School Board?*

There are three possible categories of membership:

1. A mandated elected Parent category. More than one third of the total members must be from this category.
2. A mandated elected Department of Education employee category. Members of this category may make up no more than one third of the total membership of school Board.
3. An *optional* Community Member category. Its members are appointed by a decision of the Board because of their special skills, interests or experiences. (Members for this category may come from the Community Members, P&C Representative or Association Representative groups)

### *Why is Parent membership so important?*

Parents on a school board provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.

### *Do I need special experience to be on School Board?*

No. What you do need is an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

### *Induction*

There is an induction for new members prior to the first meeting with the Chair or Principal. Further training is available upon request. Ongoing support is provided throughout the tenure as members become aware of the governance role.

### *What do you need to do to stand for election?*

Complete the **Candidate Profile** and submit your nomination at the front office by **2.30pm Tuesday March 30, 2021**.

Department of Education employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not employed are eligible to nominate as parents for the School Board.

Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the school administration within the time stated on the notice of election. You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt.

**Please be aware that all board members must have a National Police History Check before they can be appointed to the board.**

***If there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on the School Board, a ballot will be conducted during the weeks after the call for nominations has closed.***

### *Frequency & Time of Meetings*

Meetings are usually held at the following times:

Week 4 and Week 8 of each term, commencing at 3.30pm and finishing no later than 5.00pm. Occasionally an extra ordinary meeting may be called.

### *Remember*

Ask at the school for information if you would like to stand for nomination/election and are not sure what to do.

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I would encourage you to please consider nominating yourself for this rewarding role in your child's school.

Yours sincerely,



Lisa Gibson

Principal

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