



To Parents at Birch Hill Primary School

November 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Following the recent request for nominations for a Parent SAB member, I am pleased to confirm that we have received two nominations and therefore we will now hold a ballot. This will take place between Friday 8th November and Friday 22nd November 2024.

On the next page are personal statements of the candidates, the ballot will be held electronically via Microsoft Forms.

Each parent is entitled to vote **once**, regardless of how many children they have at the school. A "parent" for the purposes of Parent SAB member elections is defined as any individual person having a parental responsibility for, or care of, a child attending the school. Please complete the online form **once** for each parent, ensuring the parent's name and child's name and year group are included.

The form can be accessed at: <https://forms.office.com/e/FSsAWeMZP4>

If you have any problems accessing or completing the form, please contact j.hodgson1@maidenerleghtrust.org

The ballot will close **at 3pm on Friday 22nd November 2024**. The counting of votes will then take place and candidates and parents will be notified of the results.

Yours Sincerely

Jane Hodgson
Clerk to the School Advisory Board, Birch Hill Primary School

Voting Instructions for parent member of the School Advisory Board

- Each parent / carer is entitled to ONE vote.
- Voting closes **3pm on Friday 22nd November 2024.**
- Please read the below statements from the two candidates.
- Please vote for **ONE** candidate only, completing all details on the online form.
- Link to form: <https://forms.office.com/e/FSsAWeMZP4>

Candidate Statements

Candidate	Personal Statement
Stephen Omwenga	<p>A role as a Governor is very appealing to me, and I believe that my strong administrative, finance and leadership skills acquired and developed through vast work experience, makes me a highly competitive candidate for the role. I have key strengths that would support my success in this position.</p> <p>I have a comprehensive understanding of the full accounting cycle and vast knowledge in School Operations, in addition to my analytical, conceptual and attention to detail abilities with goal driven capabilities. Given the opportunity I am ready to take up the responsibilities and deliver beyond expectations.</p>
Thomas Brades	<p>As an Engineering Manager and now Project Manager, I have extensive experience leading and working in diverse teams and delivering complex projects. In my role as Engineering Manager, I drove innovation and optimized processes, ensuring alignment of technical goals with business objectives.</p> <p>My current role as a Project Manager, has me focused on strategic planning and cross functional collaboration, delivering projects on time and within budget. I prioritize enforcing policies around safeguarding and health and safety, ensuring compliance and fostering a secure work environment for all team members.</p> <p>Additionally, serving as the Commanding Officer for the Windsor and Eton Sea Cadets has enriched my leadership and organisational skills. I adhere, enforce, and develop safeguarding practices and health and safety processes, mentoring young cadets while instilling values of teamwork and discipline. This unique experience complements my professional background, reinforcing my commitment to leadership and development in both engineering and community settings.</p>