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Head Teacher: Mr M. Mountcastle

Thursday 31st October

Dear Parents/Carers

Parent Governor

Thank you so much to the 5 parents who have put themselves forward to represent the parents on the school Governing Body, I am very pleased we have had so much positive interest and support. We will now have a ballot and the election begins today; please see below for details. The candidates are; Helena Cartmell, Sean Flynn, Melisa McDonald, Mike Quinn and Juliana Ugokwe.

On the attached papers the parents have provided a 'pen portrait' of themselves to enable you to make an informed decision. It is very important that as a family you vote on the merits of each candidate and how in your opinion their skills could assist school and the Governing Body. When you have made your decision please place a cross next to the candidate of your choice. **Please then place the ballot paper in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with your family name and 'Parent Governor'** and return to the school office by next Tuesday 5th November at 4pm, either by hand or with your child. Please note there is only one vote paper per family.

As ever I look forward to your positive support.

Yours sincerely

M Mountcastle



Helena Cartmell

I am mum to Nathaniel in Year 4 and Alexander in Year 1. I have been a part of the St Hugh of Lincoln community for a number of years and so have a good understanding of the school. I am well invested in our school's future success both because my own children attend the school and also as St Hugh's is my parish church and I want to 'give something back'. I believe I would be a positive addition to the governors mainly because of my professional background and qualifications. I am a qualified chartered accountant and a director in a large professional services firm. My day job involves getting a very good understanding of my clients' businesses and company finances and offering advice. I've worked with not-for-profit organisations, so I have an appreciation of the priorities of an organisation such as St Hugh. I understand from talking to Mr Mountcastle that financial and commercial acumen is a useful asset for a governor. I think the financial aspect becomes more important when we are dealing with ever tighter budgets and demands to 'do more with less'. Plus I am friendly, approachable and work well with a wide variety of people.

Sean Flynn

I am Sean Flynn married to Sam, and we have 3 girls, 2 of which attend St Hugh's.

I am a past pupil of St Hugh's, where I made great memories. St Hugh's gave me a great education both socially and academically. I had a brilliant time proudly representing St Hugh's on several sporting occasions.

My father was a teacher and I have two siblings who are teachers. I understand what is required from the school to help develop and educate our children to their full potential and yours.

I have a BSc in Civil Engineering and have been a Site Manager for the past 10 years. I am a leader with ideas to improve and streamline my projects. Being dynamic and enthusiastic about change allows me to think outside the box, but listen to people, and take on board and implement their new ideas. With the current construction required on the school, I could have a very positive impact.

I have lived in the local community most of my life and believe that it is a great place to live and grow up.

Melisa McDonald

I currently have a smiley 8 year old daughter in a split year group and a loveable 3 year old son in nursery. I currently work with children with complex needs and palliative care. Working for the NHS has provided me with a great deal of flexibility, allowing me to be greatly involved in my Children's schooling. In addition, I thoroughly enjoy working with children and their families as I have built up a great rapport, gaining their confidence and building a relationship of trust and understanding. During my spare time I manage and run my own limited company decorating events. Which allows me to meet and interact with new people on a regular basis. Having attended a few PTA in the past, I realise the difficulties in running and planning around a demanding school curriculum. My children's future is of the uppermost importance on my list of priorities, therefore I would be delighted to be given the opportunity in making a difference in the education, of not just my children's, but the school as a whole. I would hope my professional experience, coupled with my close interaction with children and their families would be of great benefit. I would hope to be an asset to the school, dedicating my time to be a proactive and effective school governor.

Mike Quinn

My name is Mike Quinn and I have 2 children in St Hugh, Evie who is in year 2 and Ellie who is in the nursery. I am currently a senior manager within the construction industry and have many years experience within the social housing sector. During my time working in Salford I was heavily involved with resident/client forums, and senior management team quarterly meetings as well as coordinating various charity events in the area. In my current role I work closely with various charities across the country including Wigan Care and Repair and High Peak Homes where we repair and replace faulty gas boilers free of charge utilising ECO grants that our business has access to. I would see my role within the school as being a sensible voice for the parents. Someone who can help generate new ideas and use my life experience to help others realise their own ideas and bring them to fruition.

Juliana Ugokwe

My name is Juliana Ugokwe, I am a wife, a mother to three, two of which are students here In St Hugh of Lincoln, a solo singer, a fashion/lifestyle blogger and a student nurse.

I want to be a parent governor because as a mum myself, being a parent governor will give me the ability to represent other mums in matters regarding them, the school and their children's academics and wellbeing.

Being a mum is rewarding but can be challenging ways for every mother, so, I will be in a great position to understand a mother who is in a challenging situation and also be able to advocate for such a parent for the benefit of her wellbeing and her family's.

Having two daughters in St Hugh of Lincoln, makes me a friend of the school which means that I love St Hugh of Lincoln and would want the best for it which emphatically means that I want the best for my girls too.

I have great interpersonal skills, Amazing problem-solving skills, an amazing team player, a great personality and full of positive energy.

So, I believe I will be an amazing asset to the school and to the rest of the parent governors.

Ballot Paper October 2019

Please choose a candidate and place a cross next to their name

Helena Cartmell

Sean Flynn

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