

Role of the School Board

The School Board has an important role in the governance of the school. This means taking part in the shaping and monitoring of the school's objectives, priorities and general policy direction. The Board does not have a role in school management. This is the responsibility of the principal and involves educational leadership and the effective day to day administration, supervision and control of the school and its staff.

The Board is formed with the fundamental purpose of enabling parents and members of the community to engage in activities that are in the best interests of students and will enhance the education provided by the school. It is about providing additional expertise to help the school achieve the best outcomes for the students.

Our School Board Members

Our Board members bring their experiences and expertise to represent the school community on setting the strategic direction of our school. They are committed to ensuring that we continue to promote excellence and maximize educational opportunity and potential for our students. Their considered input is valued as we work together to reflect upon our vision and direction, in order to improve our great school.



Linda Ross - Board Chair—Parent Representative

I have been a Bannister Creek parent since the beginning of 2015, with 2 children now in Year 4 and Year 1. With both Psychology and Post Grad Communications degrees, I have worked in many commercial businesses, running my own media company and franchise businesses, and I recently started my own strategic management and marketing business. While maintaining a very hectic business life, I am also quite active in the community, support various charities and enjoy taking on new challenges.



Neil Worland - Deputy Chair—Parent Representative

I am the proud father of 2 girls who attend Bannister Creek, one in Year 3 and the other one in Pre-Primary. I joined the School Board to get further involved with my children's school and contribute to the betterment of the school and the education of every student. I believe that I can ensure the voice of the parent body is heard, while supporting the teachers to deliver the best available education. My aim whilst on the Board is to explore ways that parents, particularly fathers/ father figures, and the community can support the school and make Bannister Creek the best school it can be.



Garth Hilton -Parent Representative

I am the proud father of 2 girls at BCPS, one in Year 6, the other in Year 1. I was one of the original founding members of the School Board, having to resign during my 2nd term, due to interstate employment opportunities. Having returned to WA in 2017, I am pleased to be back on the School Board, and to continue contributing to the direction of BCPS. My aim is to ensure that we can all provide the best possible future for our students, teachers, and parents.



Liesl Ludgerus—Parent Representative

I have been associated with Bannister Creek P S since 2012 and my two daughters are now in Year 5 and Pre-Primary. My qualifications are in marine biology and I have been lucky enough to work in this field in Australia and Indonesia for over 25 years. I am also passionate about sustainable gardening and backyard food production. I am delighted to be chosen for the School Board because I believe that schools and children benefit when the diverse knowledge and expertise of the local community can be accessed. I also feel that being actively involved in my children's school community, emphasises to them and their peers the value I place on their time at school, and models the community participation I would like to see them undertake as they grow up.



Bill Johnston MLA – Community Representative

I am married with 3 children. I care about representing the interests of families and our community. I am an active member and supporter of many local groups. I believe that Bannister Creek Primary School is a wonderful community school, with dedicated staff and great support from local parents. I have a keen interest in supporting the school to meet its performance objectives now and in the future and look forward to being part of the team helping the school to build and offer the best possible education for our children.



Dr Christine Cunningham - Community Representative

I am a City of Canning councillor for the ward of Beeloo and a senior lecturer at Edith Cowan University. I have a PhD in educational leadership and research methodologies, and look forward to playing an active role as a community representative on the School Board at Bannister Creek Primary School.

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Nicole Klein—Community Representative

I am currently the Fundraising Coordinator for the Lynwood Ferndale Playgroup Inc, where parents/guardians of children 0-5 can meet and socialise while their children learn skills through play. I grew up in the Bunbury region and graduated from ECU with a Double Major in Accounting and Management. I worked as an accountant before travelling, with a 3 year stay in Calgary, Canada. Returning to WA in 2012, I settled in Ferndale with my husband and two children. My daughter is in Kindy at BCPS, with my son starting in 2019. As a member of the Board, I will provide a connection between the Playgroup and BCPS, assisting to prepare our families for the transition to school.



Julie Robert - Community Representative

I have been a Lynwood resident for 39 years and my children attended local schools. I became involved in local Landcare in 1990, starting the Bannister Creek Catchment Group to look after the local waterways. I also started the South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare in Beckenham where I was CEO for 14 years. I was involved in the development of the Bannister Creek Primary School. I now operate my own small environmental company. My past experience as a Registered Nurse has been my inspiration to clean up urban environments and stimulate environmental education, seeking a healthier urban place, for human interaction with the natural environment.



Lyn Macauley – School Representative (School Principal)

I was fortunate to be appointed the Principal of Bannister Creek Primary School in May 2014. As a Deputy Principal of six years in the Fremantle area, Pilbara Principal of seven years and Principal of East Kenwick Primary School, I have enjoyed the leadership challenges presented by working in diverse school communities and have been inspired by the support and resources that are unleashed when the school and parents work in partnership. I am focused on achieving the best possible learning conditions for our children and value relationships and open communication. I am committed to working with our School Board to ensure the positive relationships between the school, parents and community continue to flourish.



Travis Miller—School Representative

I have worked for the WA Department of Education for the past 17 years and the last 5 years as Deputy Principal at Bannister Creek Primary. Throughout that time, I have been an active participant on a variety of school Councils and Boards. I am very passionate about working with the local community to ensure the best outcomes for all students. I am looking forward to building the schools relationship with the local community and providing the Board with detailed and honest analysis of the school performance.



Julie Stone—School Representative

I have been a teacher at Bannister Creek Primary School since its formation and before that, at Lynwood Primary School. I have taught many year levels and currently teach Year 6. I feel it is an important year for our students and take great pride in seeing them mature in readiness for High School. I have lived in the area for over 30 years and my children attended local schools. I was an active member of the Parkwood PS P&C for 5 years, holding positions of Canteen Convenor, Roadwise Convenor and Vice President. I then held the position of Junior Registrar at the Lynwood/Ferndale Football Club for 5 years. I believe in a strong school community and working with the local community to give our students valuable educational experiences and develop their sense of belonging.



Morgan Taylor– School Representative

I have been a teacher at BCPS since 2011. This year, I am teaching Year Three in Room 10. I am passionate about education and enjoy working collaboratively with the teachers at BCPS to ensure our students receive the best education. I like to keep 'up to date' with the latest 'best practice' for teachers, especially in the area of technologies. In January, I was one of 35 Primary School Teachers chosen from around Australia to attend a week long STEM internship in Canberra. I joined the School Board in 2017 and aim to continue building relationships between the staff, students, families and community of BCPS.



Dianne Ridley - School Representative (Administration)

I joined Bannister Creek Primary School in 2016, as the Manager Corporate Services (Registrar). Prior to this, I worked 5 years at Canning Vale Education Support Centre. I found my time there very rewarding, as I interacted daily with the students and provided support to all staff to ensure the needs of students were met. Before working for the Department of Education, I worked as a qualified bookkeeper for accounting firms, corporate businesses and family owned businesses, plus I owned my own business for a while. I am a mother of two daughters who are now in high school and, as both have very different learning styles, I am keen to help support our school, in an effort to improve students' learning and wellbeing.