



1st September 2022

Dear Parents.

The term of office of the present Board of Management ends on October 15th 2022. The Board consists of eight persons appointed by the Trustee (Le Chéile). Four are nominated by the Trustee. Two are elected by the permanent full-time teachers on the staff and two are elected by the parents.

The Articles of Management include the following statement about parent members of the Board

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..3 (a) (ii) ".... By election of parents/legal guardians of children currently in the school: two members. In the event of a tie, the elected parent will be determined by lot. The Trustees or their representatives may retain the voting returns for the election of parents for the purposes of co-option to fill vacancies occurring during the term of office of the Board." 4 "Retiring members will be eligible for ... re-election ... unless otherwise disqualified by these articles."

I am now writing to invite nominations of parents for membership of the Board. A nomination form is enclosed and should be returned to the school (by post or hand) to arrive not later than noon on **Wednesday 7th September 2022**. Please obtain the agreement of your nominee before returning the nomination forms.

With respect to gender balance, Section 14(5) of the Education Act (1998) requires that the patron shall comply with directions given by the Minister in respect of an appropriate gender balance. To ensure gender balance, two separate lists will operate for the election of a mother and a father as parent members of the Board of Management.

On **Monday 12th September**, a list of nominated parents will be circulated. The AGM of the Parents Council takes place on **Tuesday 13th** at 19:00 and the election will be held at that meeting. The counting of votes will take place on **Wednesday 14th of September** starting at 14:00.

Any questions relating to the process should be directed to the Secretary to the Board. Yours sincerely,

Marguerite Gorby

Secretary to the Board of Management