

CALDERSTONES SCHOOL

A Specialist Science College

Harthill Road, Liverpool. L18 3HS



Headteacher: Brian Davies B.Sc.(Econ)

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Dear Parents/Guardians

ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNORS

I am pleased to inform you that two Parent Governors of this school have been elected for four years commencing on Monday 15th February 2010. As there were two nominations for two vacancies a ballot was not necessary. I attach for your information the statements received from each of the candidates.

The new Parent Governors are Karen O'Donnell and Alison Sharples.

The Governing Body of this School now comprises:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Appointing Body</u>
Mrs E Bennion	City Council
Mr F Longworth	City Council
Mrs T Dowling	City Council
Mrs P Wilsher	City Council
Mrs K O'Donnell	Parent
Mr P Bannon	Parent
Mrs J Cunningham	Parent
Mrs L Roberts	Parent
MS A Sharples	Parent
Mr L Forde	Parent
Mr R Ireland	Parent
Mrs C Williams	Governing Body
Mr J Reed	Governing Body
Mr F Readey	Governing Body
Mr D Woods	Governing Body
Mr E Jenkins	Governing Body
Mrs D Whiteside	Teaching Staff
Mr S Williams	Teaching Staff
Mr C Murphy	Non-Teaching Staff
Mr B Davies	Headteacher

Thank you for your interest in this school.

Yours sincerely

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Karen O'Donnell

I appreciate the importance of Parent Governor role, not only in committing to the continued success of the school, but in understanding the views and concerns of the parents, working constructively with the school to continue to improve the educational experience for children.

I'm a Chartered Secretary working in the public sector with over 20 years business experience, am a senior manager and used to dealing with complex financial and legal issues. I have been a volunteer Board member of two Liverpool based charities and a business advisor for the Princes Trust, working with young people, so understand the difficulties and the potential benefits of working within the non-profit making environment.

More importantly, I'm a mother of two, one at Calderstones and one in primary school. I am committed to working with the staff, parents, Governors and the Local Authority to help the school be the best that it can be.

Alison Sharples

I am currently a Parent Governor at my daughter's previous school, Mosspsits Juniors and have been since 2008. Thus I have gained experience of the variety of issues which have to be dealt with by governing bodies, which will clearly be invaluable to Calderstones.

I also sit on the Curriculum Committee at Mosspsits having volunteered for various working parties.

This experience is enhanced by my work as a Solicitor within a firm in Liverpool specialising in criminal law. I have therefore been able to bring to the post of Parent Governor effective communication skills and also the ability to deal with the mountain of law, policy and procedure that governing bodies need to address.

Finally, my daughter is a Year 7 pupil and I am therefore committed to the school for the next seven years. On this basis, I hope you can consider my application.