



RANDALL PLACE CAMPUS (Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3) Randall Place, Greenwich SE10 9LA ROYAL HILL CAMPUS (Year 4, Year 5, Year 6) Royal Hill, Greenwich SE10 8RZ

Friday 26th May 2023

Dear Parents,

I wrote to you on 3rd May to invite nominations for the vacancy for a parent governor.

As we have more candidates than vacancies, we must now hold an election, which will be via an online electronic ballot. Each parent may vote for only one of the candidates.

You should:

- Read the candidate statements below
- Complete the online form here to vote: <u>https://forms.gle/zJRUkC3VyN7n2Sa57</u>

Voting will close at midday on Friday 16th June 2023. If you have difficulty voting online, please come to the school office, who will be able to support you in voting.

The outcome of the vote will be announced on Monday 19th June 2023.

If you have any queries about this process, please email <u>admin@jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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Victoria Gallagher Headteacher



## Personal Statements

## Kate Forde

I would like to put myself forward as a parent governor. I am a mum of twins in Year 1 who are having a brilliant experience at James Wolfe - thanks to the work of the excellent staff. I have enjoyed volunteering on a number of school trips but would like to take on a more in-depth role as a governor in order to help the school retain its great reputation for academic success and developing friendly, happy children.

Until last year I was Head of Exhibitions for Wellcome Collection - a museum in central London where I led a team delivering popular exhibitions of international standing. I had to devise the programme; communicate the museum's ethos and values; monitor audience data; manage staff and hire new employees. I developed skills in strategic planning, team-working and data analysis that would serve me well in engaging critically with governance issues and helping to steer the school in the right direction.

I believe in the arts as a vital tool for self-expression and, throughout my career, have been committed to increasing access to culture. While at the Arts Council I managed a positive action training scheme for young black and minority ethnic curators and I am currently on the Board of TACO! an artist-led non-profit gallery serving the local community in Thamesmead. At Wellcome, I led the development of a gallery exploring the ways in which society disables people, and where every aspect was designed with disabled experts to be fully accessible and inclusive. My experience in these areas chimes with James Wolfe's commitment to diversity and its high aspirations for all its pupils. It would be great to support these ambitions and to help the children, the school and the staff continue to thrive and develop.

## **Terry Felgate**

Having seen our daughter travel though seven years at James Wolfe, and about to leave for secondary school, and with our son currently in year 1, I would like to take the opportunity to serve as a parent governor and contribute to the future of the school.

My career in the music sector has seen me work in senior leadership and marketing roles, with a clear focus on audience and communication. I have worked in an industry which has navigated a climate of unprecedented change, shifting consumer behaviour, and rapid and transformative technological advance. Against this backdrop I have held responsibilities for the construction and management of fiscal budgets and the consistent delivery of revenue and EBIT growth.

I was also a founder and creative director of the local music festival ONBlackheath, building strong relationships with community stakeholders including local govt, the emergency services and residents.

In all areas I adopt a collaborative and solution based approach to identify and address any challenges and seek new perspective.

I would like to bring this experience and skill set to assist the board, and add value for all James Wolfe stakeholders.