



# FRASER FOCUS

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## Information for Families

### School Board Nominations

#### Paul Ballenger

Paul Ballenger here. I seek your vote for a position on the Fraser Primary School Board. Being a parent here at Fraser and a former Board member (2017 - 2019), I know how great our school, its culture and values are. I again nominate to continue building on the fantastic work already done by the school's administration, board, community and P&C. I have proudly been calling Canberra my home since 2008 and more importantly I have been part of the Fraser Primary family for over 8 years now. While my daughter (Erin) is entering her final year at Fraser, my son (George) still has a way to go on his learning journey as he enters year three. My connection to the school remains strong and so I ask for you to support and vote for me. You may be wondering, "Why would Paul make a great candidate?" I bring a dedication to ensuring a bright future for our school; and as a leader within the Australian Public Service, I offer skills and knowledge about government functions and financial responsibilities, which will make me an asset on the Board.

Thank you for your support.

#### Joe Lynch

My name is Joe Lynch, and I am nominating for the Parent and Citizen representative of the school board. My three girls attend Fraser: Annabel is in year 5 and Catherine and Heidi are in Year 2. I am constantly amazed with how Fraser Primary fosters a sense of community and would love the opportunity to be able to give back to the school. This school also holds special memories for my wife, Esther, who attended when she was young. Growing up in Canada has provided me with the unique perspective of understanding how two different education systems operate. This board position would provide me an opportunity to assist the school in maintaining its excellent reputation, not only from an education perspective, but also in the role it plays within our local community. In my day job, I am a research fellow at the ANU Medical School and Canberra Hospital. I am involved in educating medical and physiotherapy students and developing and managing large collaborative research projects, which makes a difference to patients in the Canberra area. I believe my experience in strategic planning and education, along with my goal of representing the opinions of parents will enable me to be a highly effective Board member.

#### Bec Jeffery

Hi my name is Bec Jeffery and this is my ninth year as a part of the fabulous Fraser Primary School Community. We see it as a privilege to have had our 5 children attend Fraser and are a committed part of our schools community. I have been an active and engaged parent over the past 9 years, helping at the disco, on the fete committee, developing fundraising activities and a member of the P&C. With our last child going through upper primary I'm motivated to engage in the Board knowing that this is such a great school to invest in. I'm action orientated, a confident communicator, collaborative and a strong advocate. I will be bringing my skills, knowledge and experience from the community sector, education sector, the health sector and project management to work on issues impacting Fraser Primary, the students and families.

#### Chris Flinders

Hi Fraser Primary School community

We are lucky to have such a great school community, but it's easy to take for granted so I nominated for and joined the School Board 2 years ago to make a contribution. I am the current Board Chair and would welcome your support for another 2-year board term to represent the interests of our community. I have been a Fraser Primary parent for 9 years, living in Dunlop with my wife, Jill, and three kids, Alex (Year 7), Matilda (Year 4) and Josh (toddler). I bring extensive commercial, financial and governance skills and experiences to the board, having led the establishment and funding of government businesses and oversight of multi-billion-dollar projects like Western Sydney Airport. As Board Chair in 2020, I led strong representation to the Education Minister seeking her support to improve a range of school facilities. We got this support and the Education Directorate is now working with the school and agencies with surrounding land on strategies to deliver improved facilities and more space for our kids, after years of strong enrolment growth. I thank you all for your time, and for the opportunity to represent your interests on the Board.

### School Contact Information

If you are not currently receiving regular email communications please contact the front office team to confirm your contact details are correct.

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### Fraser App

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### Apple App

### Google App

### Fraser Facebook

### Fraser Website

### Email:

[Info@fraserps.act.edu.au](mailto:Info@fraserps.act.edu.au)

### Fraser Podcast

The Fraser podcast '[Why don't you listen along to our Fraser song?](#) Is still going. Why not tune in?!

## Recent notes

Year 1 Gruffalo Excursion

Year 5/6 Cooba Camp

Kindy, Year 2 & Year 5/6

Healthy Harold Incursion

