

## PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS FOR 2024-2028 TERM OF OFFICE

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2024

By the closing date of 12 noon Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024, school had received three seconded nominations of parents who have children currently attending Cregagh Primary School.

This means we have three valid nominees. They are as follows:

- Mrs Ruth Jamison
- Ø Mr Abel Gatsi
- Mrs Rachael Jamison

Each has provided a personal statement, as requested, for parents to consider:

Mrs Ruth Jamison	"I would like to stand as a parent governor as a way of giving back. Both in light of the fantastic experience both my children, Autumn (P6) and Ezra (P3) have had in Cregagh Primary School and also in recognition of the impact of some wonderful teachers had in my own experience.
	I strongly believe that the caring and supportive atmosphere Cregagh Primary School provides for all our children to flourish, with their varied interests, needs and abilities is something worth working together to protect and develop.
	I have 12 years experience in the public sector with a focus on improving employability outcomes, with a current emphasis on young people with experience of the youth justice system, those who are care experienced and those with disabilities. I am passionate about providing children and young people with the tools they need to be the best they can, recognising that this will look different to each individual. I have been involved in stakeholder consultation, policy development and review, as well as implementation of change programmes. I have many years experience of engagement within the public, private and voluntary sectors, leading communication campaigns, creating business cases, funding submissions and budget management.
	I would really appreciate the opportunity to be able to use this experience to support the school in whatever way I can." RJ

Mr Abel Gatsi	"After spending over four years as a parent governor, I feel that I can continue to serve the school and you parents on our Board of Governors.
	My experience has given me a good understanding of the opportunities and challenges Cregagh primary School faces.
	All three of my children have attended Cregagh Primary School. My youngest child is currently in P5.
	I work in the financial sector, and I believe that the skills I have learnt over the years would be useful. I am passionate about continuing to contribute to the school's vision and I will do my best to support its journey and help it continue to be the educational pillar of our community that it has been for many years." AG
Mrs Rachael Jamison	"I am excited about the possibility of serving as a parent governor at Cregagh Primary School. With two children currently enrolled in P3 and P1, my family and I have been extremely pleased with the supportive and nurturing environment provided by Cregagh. We felt welcomed and engaged since day one. Living in close proximity to the school, we have also been impressed by Cregagh's strong toes to the local community and its commitment to enhancing the area.
	I would be privileged to contribute to the governing body during these challenging times, as Cregagh faces budgetary constraints and evolving community needs. My profession as a doctor has equipped me with valuable experience working with diverse team and managing financial limitation. I am dedicated to ensuring the safety and development of all students, regardless of their backgrounds, special educational requirements, or disabilities.
	I am prepared to ask tough questions when necessary to advocate for the best interest of all students at the school. I eagerly anticipate our continued involvement with this excellent primary school." RJ

**Only two of the above candidates can be selected** to serve as parent governors. However, on behalf of Cregagh Primary School and parents, I would like to thank Mrs Ruth Jamison, Mr Abel Gatsi and Mrs Rachel Jamison for being willing to stand for election and for sharing their personal statements.

Parents must now **choose which two candidates** they would like to elect. This is done by following the link <u>here</u> and making your choices.

Remember, all parents who have legal Parental Responsibility for a child registered to attend our school may vote. So mums, please share with dads (with Parental Responsibility) and vice-versa.

Thankyou,

Mr D Heggarty (Election Clerk)

Mrs Moyra Hunter (Honorary Chairperson)