

Kia Ora koutou katoa

Thank you for taking the time to read not only mine, but all the candidates' profiles for nomination.

For those of you that I haven't met, our family have been a part of the Upper Moutere School whanau for the last 12 years, with our third child, Thomas, presently in year 6 with two of our wonderful teachers, Dylan, and Julieanne 😊.

*I am seeking re-election to the Upper Moutere School Board of Trustees' and bring to the board expertise in:*

*\*Education (I am a registered secondary Music and Physical Education teacher and teach as an itinerant piano and vocal tutor at Garin College),*

*\*Committee Experience (Treasurer of the Upper Moutere Community Youth Trust)*

*\*Understand the importance of being part a rural community (I grew up on a farm and our family live on a small farm; I work as an Equine Podiatrist in our immediate and wider community and my husband James, is a rural GP).*

Seeking re-election is something that I have taken time to consider and ensure that this is appropriate for our school. The last two years has seen a large strain everywhere, but acutely, our education sector. It has been challenging, due to this unprecedented environment, but also a privilege to be part of the governance, support, and encouragement that our outstanding teachers have deserved throughout this time period, and it is something that I wish to continue while we still have children attending Upper Moutere School.

Being an effective and contributing board member takes time to develop and it is important to provide consistency in moving our school forward, so by having existing board members re-elected, we ensure that our progress in continual.

I am excited about being part of and re-establishing our school community as life gradually gets back to a more normal environment, including school social events to "celebrate us", because our school, staff and students do require celebrating.

We are blessed and privileged to call Upper Moutere home and to have such an exceptional school in which our children can attend and become confident and engaged learners.

Please make yourself known to me at school, I am more than happy to discuss with you what is important in the education of your child/ren 😊

Nga mihi maioha

Jane Penno-Chisnall

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