

PARENT STATEMENTS FOR 2014 PARENT MEMBER ON THE SCHOOL COUNCIL.

BRIGITTE BAKER

My name is Brigitte Baker, and I would like to be elected to be a representative on the UPPS School Council. I have been involved in various other areas on the school such as:

PFA Committee, President (Jun 2012- Feb 2014), Treasurer (2011)

Uniform Shop

School Banking Officer

I have also been involved in running the last school Fete, and have assisted at various school sporting events and excursions

I would like to be a part of the school council as I have an interest in being actively involved in the school community and assisting with any improvements to the overall school and its facilities.

In my personal life I am a mother of three, grandmother to three. I have been involved with the foster care program for 27 years, and am the permanent carer for two young children - both are students at UPPS. In Jan 2014 I was awarded Brimbank Citizen of the Year after being nominated by the school principal for my commitment to providing assistance to the school and involvement in the foster care program.

I believe my experiences make me a desirable candidate for the school council and I look forward to the challenges and rewards being a part of the council beings.

AILEEN KORZENIEWSKI

I believe my skills and enthusiasm will be of value on the school council in providing a quality learning environment.

Since migrating here in 2003 I have worked in finance, customer service, IT, strategy and account management roles.

My husband Alan and his family have lived close to UPPS for 60 years, attending UPPS when it opened. My son Alexander attends Prep.

For 5 years I have volunteered as President, Committee of Management, Deer Park Community Children's Centre. Responsibilities include: - financial management, budgeting, recruitment, legal issues, grant applications, policies, fundraising.

Other volunteering includes teaching swimming, assisting autistic children in gymnastic, environmental care.

My relevant qualifications are: - Accountant, Certificate of Education Support, First Aid Certificates (Asthma, Anaphylaxis), AUSTSWIM Teacher.

I enjoy camping in the Australian bush. I will come to this role with an open mind. I am eager to devote time and energy in fulfilling school council duties.

JOSEPHINE JOVESKI

I have 3 boys at the school in Grades 2,4 and 5. I would like to be elected for the School Council because I would like to help the school in anyway. For 3 years I have helped with donations to the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. I am a helper around the school and have assisted with excursions, classrooms and committees.

I have been on the Parents and Friends Association for 4 years as Treasurer and on School Council for 3 years. I have also assisted with the fete and I do school banking every Wednesday for the school.

I have training in Finance, including MYOB, pay rolls and computing and have attended professional learning as a member of the School Council in 2013.. I believe I have much more to offer the school through being a Parent member on the School Council.

ZOE THOMSON

My name is Zoe Thomson I am mother to Flynn who started prep this year. I am keen to join the school council to help the school to continue to develop its fantastic programs and the fabulous school community that drew me to send Flynn here.

A little about me I am mother to 2 boys Flynn (5) and Nicholas (2), I am a keen gardener, who enjoys the challenge of growing some of our own food, I am also a keen horse rider and I love to go bush.

I work in local government as a Biodiversity Officer which means I work to help restore, protect natural areas for everyone to share. I love to ask questions and hope to be able to help cement the kitchen garden program into the school community and help with the environmental programs.

HELEN VANKEULEN

I have had a connection to school as a parent since 1998 As an active member of the local Brimbank Community I would like to serve on school council to try to establish connections between the school and local business and organisations in order to give our children opportunities and to publicise the benefits of UPPS to future students.