

# EMMANUEL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PARENT BOARD ELECTION CANDIDATE PROFILES

## PITT, Alexander



I am married to Yulia and have a son at Emmanuel Christian school (Year 5). We are members of St Nicholas Orthodox Church. I am a management and financial accountant with 25 years NZ experience and I am hopeful that I can contribute in fundraising activities & have some input in the daily challenges. My son is extremely fond of his school and the teaching staff at ECS & the core values it instills

## ROSSER, Warren



Kia ora koutou, I've had the privilege of serving as a parent representative on the Emmanuel Christian School Board since 2022, and this year I was elected as the Presiding Member (Chair). Our two boys have been at ECS since we moved to Christchurch in 2019, and our youngest is now in Year 8. Our oldest completed Year 10 in 2024. In my time on the Board, I've had responsibility for school finances and represented ECS in the Christian Education Network. My wife, Rachael, my boys and I are active at Northcity Church and live in the local community. Alongside my role on the Board, I also chair the Breakaway Family Camp at Waipara Adventure Centre every summer. In my career I've worked in communications and marketing roles for a range of charities, educational organisations and large companies. I've spent much of this time providing leadership advice and support where change and growth has been the focus. I'm passionate about the Board's role in supporting our school leaders and teachers, ensuring our kids get a strong education where faith is woven into everyday learning—especially as we support the school to grow. I'd really appreciate your support to have the opportunity to continue serving on our ECS Board for another three years. Ngā mihi, Warren

## STERNE, Natalie



As a parent of three children in Years 4, 6 and 8, and a former student myself, I've been part of our school community for many years. For the past three years, I've had the privilege of serving on the board, and I would love the opportunity to continue contributing in this way. These last few years have been a valuable time of learning what good governance looks like, and I feel well placed to build on that foundation and continuing serving. I bring over 15 years of experience in secondary education, along with a strong understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing schools today. This experience helps me play a part in guiding the school as it continues to grow. Alongside school life, I'm actively involved at Latimer Church, where I lead the hospitality team and serve in marriage mentoring and participate in general church life. Christian education matters deeply to me—especially in a world that so often teaches our children to rely on themselves. My hope is that our school will continue to grow in its love for God, stay anchored in its special character, and keep Christ at the centre of all it does.

## VISSER, Claudia



My name is Claudia, and I'm a parent at Emmanuel Christian School. I'm putting myself forward for the Parent Board because I care deeply about our children's education and want to contribute positively to the future of the school. I come with a background in finance and accounting, with experience in budgeting, financial planning, and reporting. I believe these skills would be useful in helping the board make sound decisions that support the school's vision and values. This is my first time standing for a board, but I'm keen to learn and genuinely committed to getting involved. I understand the importance of governance and would take the responsibility seriously, while also being open to new ideas and learning from those with more experience. I'm also known for having a bubbly, approachable personality and a strong work ethic. I enjoy working with others, value open communication, and believe in creating a supportive environment where all families feel included. I'm putting my name forward because I want to serve the school community, use my strengths in a practical way, and be part of something that helps every child thrive—not just academically, but in character and faith as well. Thank you for considering my nomination.

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