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ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNORS VOTING PAPER

This voting paper contains the names of all candidates nominated in accordance with the procedures for election. Statements provided by the candidates are set out overleaf.

There is one voting paper for each parent irrespective of the number of children from the family on roll at the school.

VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN 2 CANDIDATE(S).

Insert X in this column against the candidate(s) for whom you are voting	Name of Candidate(s)
	Ruth Clarke
	Harriet Hart
	Amy Wood
	Shanakay Luckoo-Millington

Completed voting papers should be returned to the school by post, email or by hand. It is recommended that voting papers are returned in a sealed envelope to safeguard the secrecy of the ballot.

The closing date for votes is 18th November 2020.

My name is Ruth Clarke and I have a son Samuel currently in year two. I also have a younger daughter who is yet to start her journey through Riverside. I'm interested in the position of Parent Governor as I have a passion for supporting the school and a desire to see the school and pupils excel. I currently support the school as a member of the Friends of Riverside fundraising for the school but would love to become more involved and take the opportunity to offer a parent perspective on the strategic management of the school.

I work as a Global Marketing Manager for a medical device company, obviously a very different arena to school life but with the same challenges around budgeting, project management and strategic decision making. I also have strong leadership, mentoring, training and communication skills that I would love to be able to utilise in the role of Parent Governor.

I would also relish the opportunity to work with parents, teachers, the Head and Governors to drive continued improvement and give all pupils at Riverside the opportunities to succeed.

Harriet Hart - Since my son began Reception in 2019 I have taken a genuine interest in Riverside Academy, not just in my own child's learning but across the whole school. In the autumn term of last year I started a conversation with the headteacher about how I could be more involved in the children's learning, in particular on the subject of the environment and climate change. Before the lockdown in March I was helping Beccy and her colleagues with ideas for their Global Awareness Friday Focus topic. Unfortunately, the national lockdown put a stop to our plans but I know the children were making a start on a Green Heart project, an idea I put forward in February. The idea was for each child to write or draw on a green paper heart to display together in school to show their love of the planet, or to make a pledge for the environment. In my free time I have an active interest in campaigns for climate justice, I read about and research environmental issues on a daily basis and I have been involved with local initiatives to raise awareness of climate change. I have been able to use this knowledge and passion to pass on resources and information to Mrs Payne to share with the school. I would like to continue my relationship with the school and the children. I believe I would be a passionate, transparent and considerate Parent Governor, with the children's future always at the forefront of my mind.

Amy Wood - As a parent of a Year 5 and reception child I have experience of the school which will continue for many more years.

- I think I am approachable to both staff and children.
- I listen well, taking in other people's opinions whilst considering my own view.
- I am a qualified management accountant, so good with numbers and able to produce a good spreadsheet!
- Work well as a team to achieve goals and split out responsibilities
- Good time management and always happy to help.

Shanakay Luckoo- Millington - I would like to be considered as a parent governor as I am extremely passionate about the development of our children at Riverside. I believe in developing our children not only academically but giving them opportunities to thrive and excel physically, emotionally and mentally. As an Empowerment and Confidence Coach, encouraging a positive mindset amongst our children would be a major priority for me. I also bring with me a wealth of experience in Events Management and Fundraising having worked in the Hospitality Industry for over 15 years and believe these skills would come in handy to secure well needed funds for the school. Overall, my intention is to work with the rest of the Governing body to make Riverside the ultimate institution for our community, for our teachers, for our parents and for our children helping them to develop in to the best versions of themselves that they can be.