



**To Parents at Maiden Erleigh School**

11 October 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian

### **ELECTION OF ONE PARENT LAB MEMBER: OCTOBER 2019**

Following the recent request for nominations for a Parent LAB member, we have received 2 nominations and therefore we will now hold a ballot. This will take place between **Monday 14 October and 3.00pm on Friday 18 October**.

Overleaf are personal statements of the candidates, and a ballot paper is supplied with this letter. There is **one** ballot paper for each parent, regardless of how many children you have at the school. A "parent" for the purposes of Parent LAB member elections is defined as any individual person having a parental responsibility for, or care of, a child.

Please print off the ballot paper for each person voting and place in a sealed envelope. In order to maintain confidentiality this should then be placed in a further envelope marked 'Parent LAB Member 2019' adding your name and your child's name and tutor group. Please note if this information is not displayed it will be classed as a spoilt vote.

The ballot box will be in the school reception area between **Monday 14 October and 3.00pm on Friday 18 October**. Ballot papers may be posted, if necessary. **Please do not return ballot papers to tutors.**

The counting of votes will take place on Monday 21 October and parents will be notified of the results.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Helen White  
Clerk to the Local Advisory Board

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 PERSONAL STATEMENTS FROM CANDIDATES

CANDIDATE	PERSONAL STATEMENT
<b>Martin Judd</b>	<p>My daughter just started Year 7 at Maiden Erlegh and I'd like to get involved with the school by becoming a member of the Local Advisory Board.</p> <p>I'm self-employed running a business providing online booking and administration for childcare settings and children's clubs. My day to day work involves all aspects of the business from accounting, data protection and marketing to writing software whenever I can.</p> <p>In the past I have been an active committee member with the Reading and West Berkshire branch of Federation of Small Businesses where I was chairman for 3 years from 2011. During this time, I was a member of various other groups including the Reading Employment and Skills Group and the Reading College Advisory Board. My role with these groups was to provide input from the point of view of small businesses. The college advisory board in particular gave me an insight into issues affecting education establishments.</p> <p>More recently, I just finished as a member of the volunteer committee for a local after school club and I help out on the 99th Reading Scouts committee.</p> <p>I'd really like the opportunity to get involved with the schools continued success as a member of the Maiden Erlegh LAB. I believe that my experience as a small business owner and from working with committees and consulting with other groups would be beneficial to the role.</p>
<b>Sabeen Ali</b>	<p>I have two children at Maiden Erlegh School (Year 9 &amp; Year 7). Previously, I was the chair, as well as an active member, of the PTA at my children's primary. Currently, I am a member of the schools' MESPA and have seen how important a parent's involvement towards the school's overall management helps it deliver the best opportunities for all students. Thus, as a parent governor I believe I will be uniquely placed to champion the views of parents and will be supportive and proactive in effectively contributing to the governance and future development of the school.</p> <p>I have the appropriate skill set to enable me to represent the school and fulfil the responsibilities of the role with motivation, commitment and conviction. I possess excellent organisational and communication skills and have the passion to ensure that our school continues to deliver high quality education and opportunities to our students and be able to support our teachers to deliver.</p>