



Kaitiaki Kindergartens

NORTHERN AUCKLAND FREE KINDERGARTEN ASSOCIATION

NOMINATION PROFILES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, 12th August 2020 – 7:00pm

The Salvation Army HBC Community Centre | 32 Greenview Lane
Red Beach | Hibiscus Coast | Auckland

Paul Geden

I am the current President of Kaitiaki Kindergartens and unless you have held the position of President before it's hard for anyone to truly explain the multifaceted role the presidency is, but it's something that I have thoroughly enjoyed over the past year. I am now seeking re-election to the Board. This past year we have had to face some real challenges that have taken significant resource, time and effort to resolve. In a wider context it has been a year of change and challenge for the Kindergarten movement. I consider this role an honour and I have tried hard to live up to the expectation of our people and our members and the wider Kaitiaki whanau.

I am a father of six, who lives in Hobsonville Point. My two youngest children have both attended the fantastic Hobsonville Point Early Learning Centre. I am active in my local community having previously served on the Hobsonville Point Residents Society.

I would like to keep helping Kaitiaki Kindergartens maintain and build on the great position that it is in – delivering life changing foundations for children in the communities we serve.

I have 30 years of experience in the Insurance profession, across two continents and in many differing roles. I also have a strong background in governance and process management which I believe will keep serving the Association, well coupled with the right skill set to help the Board see the Association flourish in the future.

John Lewis

I wish to be considered for nomination onto the Kaitiaki Kindergarten's Association Board. Currently my son Jack attends Oaktree Kindergarten and I expect my daughter will be attending in a few years' time also.

I work in the insurance industry and lead the Digital team at AA Insurance. My recent career history has involved much experience predominantly in banking and insurance here in NZ and the UK. I am able to bring skills and experience gained from working in technical roles in a regulated industry, such as strategy development and risk management to the board.

My mother was a primary teacher and my father and step-mother have been heavily involved in ECE. I have been incredibly impressed by what kindergartens can offer both children and their communities and I am eager to make a contribution anywhere I can to the ongoing success of our kindergartens.



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Grant Mitcheson

I am seeking re-election to the Board. We need people that have a sound knowledge of where we have come from and where we need to go to, so that we can be viable in the future.

I have been a Life Member of Northern Auckland Free Kindergarten Association for well over 20 years and a member for about 34 years. I have a passion for seeing this Association be the best it can be.

I have been a Professional Fire Fighter since 1984 and a Station Officer since 2002.

I am able to comprehend and act within the constitution, be accountable to the membership and have a clear understanding and knowledge of the governance role of the board.

I am genuinely committed to the purpose, vision and goals of the Association, and am able to act lawfully, honestly and in good faith at all times.

Andrea Leeper

I would love the opportunity to be a part of the Kaitiaki Kindergartens Association board. I have over 10+ years in international and NZ accounting, tax, corporate finance, banking and business advisory experience.

I am a Senior Manager at Baker Tilly Staples Rodway Ltd and I currently specialise in sustainability. My passion is reduce, reuse, recycle. My dad is a principal in South Auckland or lower economic schools across Auckland for 40 years. He has inspired me to teach these kids how to look after the land we have been given. Founder of "Waste to Fuel", "Swiish", "The Bloomery" and "Bloomin Good" an ethical supply chain business all designated to waste and landfill minimisation in NZ. We work with approximately 10+ Early Childhood Education Centres across Auckland helping them convert to cloth nappies and baby wipes. We help them develop environmental plans and provide them with statistics and data on their waste minimisation and contributions to society through donations and other partners.

Reminder: Constitution clause – 10. Voting (a) and (c)

All members shall be entitled to attend all General Meetings of the Association and to speak and vote on all matters coming before such meetings. Voting shall be determined by voice, a show of hands or by ballot.