



# Kaitiaki Kindergartens

NORTHERN AUCKLAND FREE KINDERGARTEN ASSOCIATION

## NOMINATION PROFILES

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### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021 – 7:30pm

Kaitiaki Kindergartens Support Office | 44c Anzac Road

Browns Bay | Auckland

and via Online Zoom Meeting

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#### Nicole Thompson

I am the current Vice President and Board Member of Kaitiaki Kindergartens and am seeking re-election to the Board.

I am a mum to two children who both thrived in their time at kindergarten. Also having attended Torbay Kindergarten myself as a child, I am passionate about the learning environment that kindergarten provides, and the sense of community and belonging that kindergarten fosters.

I strongly believe that every child in New Zealand should have access to high quality early childhood education and take pride in my involvement with Kaitiaki Kindergartens as a board member for the past four years. I welcome the opportunity to continue giving back to my community ensuring we provide safe, enriching learning environments for our tamariki.

I'm passionate about ensuring the future of kindergarten in NZ whilst continuing to be responsive to the needs of the communities we serve. I welcome the opportunity to contribute further to the future of our Association.

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#### Ivor Peksa

I would like to offer my services as a member of the Kaitiaki Kindergartens Board. We currently have our son enrolled at Oaktree Kindergarten and our daughter will be attending in the future. I am blown away by the quality of Oaktree Kindergarten and the surrounding community.

I come from a technology background with 25-years experience in information businesses. I have spent 15 years working in a market-leading data business in leadership roles. I have a wide variety of relevant skills, including stakeholder engagement, change management, finance, digital marketing, governance and corporate IT.

I would like to contribute my time and experience in assisting and advocating for the Kindergarten model for enriching our children's early years as much as we can and as widely as we can. I am confident that I can contribute in a valuable way to the Kaitiaki Kindergartens Board.

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### Alexia Mesnage

I am a current Board Member of Kaitiaki Kindergartens and am seeking re-election to the Board. In my two years to date with the board, I have marvelled at the hard work and talent of the Association management, support office and teaching teams and the clear leadership and planning towards Kindergarten's Aotearoa.

I have experienced the service and support in my daughter's journey through Whangaparaoa Kindergarten and transitioning on to school.

In my role at the East Coast Bays Electorate Office and support for a Member of Parliament, I understand the importance of Government and policies in the education sector and how the move to Kindergarten's Aotearoa will consolidate the voice of our Associations so we may grow to provide access to quality early childhood education for every kiwi child.

I would be privileged to continue a role on the board and look forward to offering my skills and insights.

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***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.*