

Ascot Vale PS School Council Election Parent Statements February 2017 (in alphabetical order)

<p>Benjamin Delaney</p>	<p>I am the Dad of Millie (U3), Ruby (U2) and Poppy's (future prep in 2022!) and Marie Delaney's husband.</p> <p>I work as a Project Director for Major Projects Victoria currently heading up the Melbourne Park Redevelopment. Prior to project delivery I came from a background in facility management and capital works and studied Commercial Law and Management at University.</p> <p>It's an exciting time ahead for AVPS with a newly created and successful Grants Committee and planned works for the school grounds. I think the skills and experience that I have will be a valuable addition to the AVPS school council team.</p> <p>Outside of work, I have an interest in sport. I coached rowing for a number of years, in Australia, London and in New Zealand and I am now aiming to share my love of golf with my girls.</p>
<p>Phillip Empey</p>	<p>I bring over twenty years of corporate experience, primarily in banking (JP Morgan, UBS) and more recently in superannuation (AustralianSuper) in a variety of roles. Since my daughters Cara (Unit 1 Grade 4) and Leah (Unit 2 Grade 2) have been at AVPS, I have served on the school council in the capacity of treasurer and member the Finance Committee for the past two years. My experience in financial services enables me to provide strong governance and oversight to the school's finances and to the school council more broadly. I believe these skills will be of great assistance to the school as it will be necessary to seek significant funding to address maintenance issues with some our buildings.</p> <p>I have a degree in engineering from RMIT and a master's degree in business from UNSW.</p> <p>It would be my pleasure to serve the school community again.</p>
<p>Dale Grayson</p>	<p>Hello</p> <p>Our child, Stella started in Prep this year.</p> <p>I am a Chartered Accountant in my own Practice.</p> <p>We have two older children whom went through Primary School at Flemington Primary.</p> <p>At Flemington I was a school Councillor and School Treasurer for 9 years.</p> <p>I have experience in all facets of council, including Finance, Fundraising and the building Program</p> <p>I was heavily involved in Building a school hall, including planning and financing</p> <p>I have been a classroom helper and part of working bees</p> <p>My time is flexible, for council needs</p> <p>I believe my previous experience on school council and my professional skills will be an asset to the school</p> <p>I believe in parent involvement and enjoy the school community</p> <p>Most of all I enjoy being involved in my child life and being on the school council is a way I can enhance this and add value to the school.</p> <p>Thank You</p>

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<p>Angelica Inserra</p>	<p>Hello, my name is Angelica Inserra. I am a parent of two sons, Tomas (G6) and Cullan (G4) in Unit 5 and a passionate and enthusiastic advocate of Ascot Vale PS. Previous and current involvement at AVPS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Rep since 2013 • Fundraising Team since 2012 • Walking School Bus volunteer since 2013 • School Council member 2015 & 2016 (Buildings and Grounds Sub-Committee) – development of Master Plan to inform current and future improvements of the physical environment at AVPS. • Grant Writing Team 2015 & 2016 – successfully applied for grants to the value of \$225,000 for Sensory Garden (Stages 1 & 2) and Acoustic Improvement Projects to be undertaken in 2017. <p>As a practising Architect, with twenty years' experience, I am well qualified to continue the exciting and important work we have begun on the B&G Sub-Committee. I would love to be re-elected to School Council in 2017.</p> <p>Regards, Angelica Inserra</p>
<p>Duncan Laslett</p>	<p>I am an Operations Manager (qualified Chemical Engineer) at a large chemical facility. I have extensive experience in capital projects, budgets, dealing with compliance issues with Worksafe, EPA etc and managing personnel. I am a member of the Community Consultation group which liaises with the public on environmental and community impact issues. One of the more rewarding career experiences was leading the young professionals group which instigated and carried out a number of volunteer community based projects.</p> <p>My daughter Quinn (Grade 3) loves AVPS and recently added the MVIMP program to her list of activities. The past couple of years I have been involved in school life through working bees, fete assistance etc., and would now like the opportunity to contribute more directly. I believe my professional experience coupled with my personal attributes would be an asset for the Council to help this unique learning environment continue to grow.</p> <p>Warm Regards, Duncan</p>
<p>Ebony Mychajlyk</p>	<p>My children are Lola (Unit 1) and Max (Unit 2), and I have been an active member of the school community since 2013.</p> <p>I have worked for the State Government for 20 years in Disability Services. This has included working:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • directly supporting adults with disabilities, • Learning and Development, • Policy writing, • Service Improvement • Management. <p>The skills and knowledge from my career provide me with a strong and practical understanding of duty of care, quality improvement, department process and policy writing.</p> <p>I have been on the School Council and Education Policy Subcommittee for one term. I have utilised my professional and personal skills ensure the review of school policies, procedures and communication are clear, concise and meet the needs of the school community as well as legislative and department requirements.</p> <p>I feel I have made a valuable contribution and I would love to continue this work with the School Council.</p>

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Shaun Naidoo	<p>I am a stay at home dad, and part-time ICT consultant. I have a BPaed in Primary Education (Maths and Science) and was also a camp counsellor in the USA. I have worked in the corporate environment in South Africa in the ICT space and since re-locating to Melbourne have taken the opportunity to be a stay at home dad, and work part-time. This gives me the time to get involved in community based activities. I believe that it is important to prepare our children for a challenging global future with a strong education and the necessary life skills, within a safe environment where every child has the opportunity to succeed. I am excited about students achieving their highest potential where all educational stakeholders can work collaboratively. Having served on the Education and Policy Sub-Committee last year, I wish to continue to contribute in that portfolio in the coming term.</p>
Georgia Patras	<p>My name is Georgia Patras and my son Nicholas is in Grade 3 and in unit 1 at AVPS. I was a student at AVPS and one of the first students to learn in a multi age environment.</p> <p>I am on the parent committee for the 1st Moonee Ponds Scouts where my children attend cubs and I am team manager for my son's soccer team. At AVPS, I have been a parent rep and on the fundraising committee.</p> <p>On the weekend if I am not going to see my beloved Bombers or Melbourne City play I will be at St Pauls Cathedral listening to my daughter sing in the choir.</p> <p>As a school council member, I will advocate for every student to receive equal opportunities and resources to enhance their education and ensure all students have a safe environment in which to grow.</p>