

Peter Fraser BOT Chairperson



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Principal



Angela Jenkins Staff Trustee

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Information to support the upcoming Elections.

What does the board of trustees do?

The job of the BOT is to "**govern**" the school, and to ensure that our main goal is met – the education of Learnington Primary School's children. We don't "run" the school.

The day-to-day running of Learnington Primary School is the responsibility of the Principal, Management team and staff.

Responsibilities of Trustees

- Determine the educational goals of our school and ensure they are met for the benefit of each one of our students.
- Trustees support our school principal, teachers and support staff. They are involved in the appointment of new staff members.
- Set the budget each year, ensuring the money is spent to benefit the Leamington School children and its community. The BOT monitors expenditure over the year through regular finance reports.
- Approve Annual Development Plans and ensure these are completed.
- Set School fees annually.
- Positively promote Learnington School to current and prospective parents and outside organisations.
- Be available to help all Learnington School parents by pointing them in the right direction if they have a concern or an issue they want addressed.

When does the board do all of this?

- The BOT meets twice a term at 6pm for approximately 2 3 hours (dates are advised in the regular newsletter). All members of the Leamington School Community are welcome to attend these meetings.
 - Trustees spend time outside of meetings contributing to other roles around the school as they are able to. This can include BOT training, ERO visits, property matters, powhiri, prize giving and suspension meetings.

Want to know more ?

- Please contact Peter Fraser (chairperson) 8233 044 or Learnington School Office for numbers of current Board members.
- Website <u>http://www.trustee-election.co.nz/</u> for additional information.

Strive to Achieve

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A word from our outgoing BOT Chairperson

As a board, it is our role to lead the direction of the school in consultation with the community, and school management. Collectively we can feel proud of what has been achieved within the school during our three-year tenure.

A strong component for setting that direction came from the community survey that was completed in 2008. The information from this survey has helped steer the future direction of Learnington Primary.

Some of the notable achievements of this board are as follows:

- Appointment of our current Principal, Mr Malcolm.
- Completion of the upgrade to the administration block.
- Implementation of a working sports committee.
- Surviving successfully our three yearly ERO review.
- Planning and implementation of a school uniform.
- Work in consultation with the Whanau group, to move our Maori Enrichment classes up to the Bi-Lingual level of teaching.
- Completion and establishment of our new classroom (Room 13).

Projects that are currently underway but will be ongoing for the next board include:

- a new middle school playground
- future proofing of the school computer capability
- the school library upgrade

On a personal note, as the outgoing Board Chair, I would like to acknowledge the huge work commitment and effort that our current board have provided to ensure that our school is constantly "Striving to Achieve". Thank you for the support you have offered me.

To our two principals Mr Malcolm and Mrs Morrison (acting principal in 2007), thank you for taking the board ideas, and making them a reality. Your enthusiasm and passion for Learnington is clearly visible and is making a difference.

Peter Fraser BOT Chair