

# Theresa Harvey



I am a Mathematics teacher at Orewa College and a mum to a student in Year 8 at Carmel College. I, myself have been educated at Catholic schools throughout my education and I have taught at Marist College for 14 years.

I am a Board Member at Stella Maris Primary School and I would love the opportunity to represent parents of our Carmel Community on the Carmel Board. Being on the Board would be a privilege and an honour. It comes with great responsibility and Mana.

# Cathy Shaw



I am honoured to stand as a candidate for the Carmel College Board of Trustees, bringing over two decades of strategic leadership and corporate communications experience, alongside a deep personal commitment to quality education and community service.

In my current role as Manager, Customer Communications – Claims Innovation at IAG New Zealand, I lead the development of customer communication strategies that enhance operational efficiency and customer experience. I have successfully delivered strategic responses to major events such as the Auckland floods and Cyclone Gabrielle, demonstrating my ability to manage risk, ensure compliance, and support stakeholder needs, skills well-aligned with the Board's governance and oversight responsibilities.

My career has spanned senior roles at IAG, Lotto New Zealand, Fonterra, AIG, and SKYCITY, where I have led enterprise-wide initiatives, managed budgets, and built frameworks that balance innovation with accountability. I have a strong track record in policy implementation, stakeholder engagement, and strategic planning, which will support the Board's role in setting direction, monitoring performance, and ensuring sound financial and operational governance.

As a parent and member of the Carmel College community, I am committed to upholding the school's Special Catholic Character and fostering an inclusive, future-focused learning environment. I understand the importance of collaborative leadership and would work constructively with the Principal, and fellow trustees to support the school's mission and strategic goals.

I bring a thoughtful, values-driven approach to decision-making, with a proven ability to ask the right questions, build consensus, and communicate with clarity.

I feel passionate about the opportunity to contribute to the Board's work in maintaining high standards of teaching and learning, ensuring compliance with legal and policy frameworks, and supporting the wellbeing and achievement of every student.

Thank you for considering my nomination.

# Peter (Young Jae) Lim



As a proud parent, committed community member, and lifelong advocate for education, I am standing for election to the School Board because I believe every child deserves the foundation for a strong, meaningful future. My two daughters attend our local schools, and like every parent, I want to see them—and all children—thrive in a safe, supportive, and inspiring learning environment.

With a background in education, property management, and finance, I bring a balanced perspective rooted in both professional experience and parental responsibility. I hold degrees in Science, Commerce, and Education from the University of Auckland, and I have worked closely with families, school, and church to improve community outcomes.

My approach is grounded in three core beliefs:

**Stability in Education:** Our schools need consistent leadership that values teachers, listens to parents, and puts students first. I support practical, proven solutions—not trends—that help children learn and grow with confidence.

**Respect for Tradition and Community:** Education is not just about academic achievement—it is also about character, values, and belonging. I will support initiatives that strengthen school spirit, respect cultural heritage, and uphold standards of conduct and care.

**Partnership with Families:** Parents are not just stakeholders—they are partners. I will advocate for better communication, transparency in decision-making, and more opportunities for families to participate in school life.

I am a father who wants to serve with integrity, humility, and purpose. I believe in listening carefully, acting calmly, and working constructively with others. Our children are watching us—let us show them what it means to lead with kindness, courage, and a commitment to the common good.

I would be honoured to earn your trust and your vote.

# Julie Scott



My name is Julie Scott, and I am the current Chair of the Carmel College Board of Trustees. I first joined the Board in early 2019 and was elected to the Chair role later that year, as the school transitioned out of Limited Statutory Management. Carmel is a special place for me. As a proud old girl (1988–1994), I know how much the school has shaped who I am today. My family's connection to Carmel runs deep; my aunt was a founding student, and both my sister and niece are former students. That legacy continues through my daughters, Mia (Year 13) and Milly (Year 11), as well as my niece Isla (Year 9), who are all current students.

Carmel is a school grounded in its Catholic special character and guided by our Mercy values. These values are woven into every aspect of school life, nurturing academic achievement, personal growth and success, and a deep sense of social responsibility. Over the past seven years, it has been a privilege to help lead Carmel through a time of renewal and growth both as a school, and in the board room. I'm proud to have played a part in restoring our mana and rebuilding trust within our community post-LSM and contributing to our strategic vision for the future.

Professionally, I am a Nurse Practitioner in the Emergency Department at Starship Children's Hospital, holding a Master's in Advanced Nursing. I have served on a number of health-related governance groups and chaired the Service Clinical Excellence Group. This role involves close collaboration with senior leadership and clinical governance teams across the Child Health directorate. I also teach and mentor both nursing and medical colleagues, including through the University of Auckland, have led clinical research, and provided medicine and education in Kiribati.

If re-elected, I am committed to building on the progress we've made, ensuring Carmel continues to be responsive to the needs of today while remaining future-focused and sustainable. As an old-girl, a parent, and a Board member, I'm passionate about strengthening student wellbeing and belonging, providing modern learning environments, and upholding the Catholic identity that makes our school special. It would be a privilege to continue serving our community as we enter an exciting new chapter, including the development of our property master plan. I also hope to bring stability and continuity to what will be a largely new Board in the coming term.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Julie Scott

# Tara Solomon



As the current Chief Executive of a not-for-profit kindergarten association, I bring over 15 years of experience in leadership, and early childhood education, including the five years serving on the board of a faith-based social service organisation. I am a values-driven and strategic leader, deeply committed to holistic education that nurtures the heart, mind, and spirit of every child.

My governance background is grounded in strong practice. As a member of the Institute of Directors (IoD), I have undertaken formal governance training and developed a deep understanding of the distinction between governance and operational roles. I understand the critical role a board plays in setting strategic direction, maintaining stewardship, and ensuring educational excellence within the framework of Catholic values.

My leadership approach is one of empowerment. I believe in creating a culture where all members of a learning community—students, staff, and whānau—feel supported, inspired, and connected. I have a clear and practical understanding of how effective governance enables flourishing school communities, fosters educational success, and upholds the mission of Catholic education.

I am passionate about equity, faith, and the transformative power of education. My work across kindergartens has affirmed my belief in lifelong learning, inclusive practice, and the importance of spiritual and emotional wellbeing in child development. These principles align closely with the aspirations of Catholic schools to develop young people who are both academically capable and spiritually grounded.

My strategic mindset and executive leadership experience mean I bring skills in risk management, financial stewardship, change leadership, and stakeholder engagement. I have led significant organisational transformation and understand how to support educational leaders to thrive while maintaining clear governance oversight.

I would be honoured to bring this experience to serve on the Catholic school board, contributing to a collective vision that champions excellence in education, fosters faith in action, and builds resilient and compassionate learners. I welcome the opportunity to be part of a governance team that upholds Catholic character, celebrates diversity, and supports every child to reach their God-given potential.

# Tatiana Strudwick



Kia ora koutou! My name is Tatiana Strudwick, and I am nominating myself for a position on the Board of Trustees. My eldest daughter has been attending Carmel College since 2021, and we feel incredibly blessed to be part of this community as we witness her thrive academically and socially. My youngest daughter is set to join Carmel in 2027 and is eagerly looking forward to it.

My motivation for this nomination stems from a deep enthusiasm for education. Times have changed significantly since I was in school, but I still remember the pride I felt being part of my school community and the valuable learning experiences and friendships I formed. I aspire for all Carmel girls to feel that same sense of belonging and pride, and I know my daughter does.

I bring a diverse set of skills to the table. My professional career spans over 25 years, primarily in the marketing and media sectors, focusing on investment and partnerships. Since the onset of Covid, I have shifted my focus to mental health and have retrained for this purpose. Currently, I work in the mental health innovation sector at a nonprofit organization as an Investment and Partnerships Manager. This varied role incorporates many skills I have developed throughout my career, including communications, project management, and strategic planning. Additionally, I have gained new skills in areas such as evaluation, impact management, basic financial management, and risk management.

I am a strong supporter of our school's community initiatives and have actively participated in the Carmel College PTFA. In the past, I helped organize the first "Carmel College Christmas Market by the Lake" event and other fundraising activities as a volunteer. Additionally, I have volunteered as a parent helper for the Water Wise programme.

I am dedicated to fostering strong relationships between whānau, staff, and the board to support our girls and their success. I would be honoured to contribute a fresh perspective to decision-making that enables our school to flourish and ensures that all students have the support they need to thrive.

Thank you for considering my nomination.

# Chloe Stewart-Tyson



I am an experienced leader in organisational transformation, workplace, wellbeing, governance, risk and property. My career spans health, safety & wellbeing, human resources, and operational leadership across diverse sectors including health, engineering, banking, hospitality, and professional services. My career has been defined by a commitment to fostering safe, inclusive environments that enable people to thrive, values that align closely with the mission of effective school governance.

My current role sees me lead the property strategy and portfolio of 24 offices, fleet, group travel and mobility services, as well as the corporate support functions across South East Asia, Australia & New Zealand. In this capacity, I have developed and implemented group-wide strategies to optimise working environments and ensure alignment with business objectives. My role requires high-level stakeholder engagement, including direct advisory responsibilities to Boards and Executive teams and oversight of complex projects.

My background also includes extensive experience in health, safety, environment & wellbeing, where I have led culture change initiatives that prioritise psychological health, employee engagement, and compliance with international standards.

Throughout my career I have worked closely with diverse organisations including local government, defence force, non-profits, legal, infrastructure, aged care, and engineering consultancies, delivering independent reviews, audits, training programmes, gap analyses, and strategic advice at both Board and operational levels. These experiences have strengthened my ability to navigate regulatory requirements while maintaining a strong focus on people's needs.

I bring a collaborative leadership style that values open communication, evidence-based decision-making, and continuous improvement. My approach is grounded in building consensus among stakeholders while ensuring robust governance structures are in place. I have successfully managed multiple large-scale projects requiring coordination between internal teams and external partners, all while upholding organisational culture and values. With dual British/New Zealand citizenship and a global perspective, I understand the importance of adaptability and cultural awareness in governance roles.

As a prospective school board member, I offer proven expertise in strategic planning, risk management, policy development, stakeholder engagement, and fostering positive learning environments. My passion lies in supporting young people's holistic development by ensuring schools are safe, well-managed spaces where every student feels they belong.

# Melanie Kenrick



Carmel College is a fantastic school, doing a great job of educating our daughters, including my daughter thriving in Year 8. However, I don't believe, as parents, we can take that for granted in today's educational environment. Secondary schools face significant challenges, including uncertainty around curriculum/qualifications with the imminent replacement of NCEA, challenges attracting and retaining quality teachers given Auckland's cost of living, and the complex behavioural and disciplinary issues we see arising.

What this means is, more than ever, the college needs a Board of Trustees with the breadth of skills and experience to meet these challenges head on, and the courage and wisdom to act proactively and decisively on behalf of the school. With over ten years of governance experience, I have the attributes necessary to fulfil these requirements as a member of the Carmel Board.

I am currently serving as an elected member of the Kaipatiki Local Board of Auckland Council and sit as a director on the national boards of two intellectual disability service providers. I am a member of the NZ Institute of Directors.

In these roles, I have gained a reputation for getting things done. I've worked across a wide range of community issues affecting the North Shore. I have oversight of large financial budgets and complex workplans, helped shape strategic plans and led work in risk management. I understand the importance of asking hard questions but also listening and engaging.

My professional background includes 13 years as a mental health nurse, including senior leadership roles across New Zealand and the United Kingdom. I've supported individuals, led multidisciplinary teams, and contributed to the development of community services. As a result, I bring real-world, hands-on experience in youth mental health. This is particularly relevant in the governance of today's schools.

What I can bring to Carmel College:

- Strong governance experience.
- Confidence to make difficult decisions, when needed.
- Compassionate understanding of student wellbeing.
- Commitment to engaging with families to ensure school priorities reflect your aspirations.
- Dedication to Carmel's Catholic Special Character.

I am standing for the Board of Trustees because I care deeply about Carmel College and the young women it is shaping. I will work to ensure that Carmel continues to give our daughters the best opportunity to grow to their potential and leave the school as confident women, prepared for the world they will face.



# Michael Drumm



My name is Michael Drumm, and I'm standing for election as a parent representative on the Carmel College Board of Trustees.

Our eldest daughter, Chloe, is currently enjoying her first year at Carmel, and our two younger children are in Year 3 at St Joseph's in Takapuna. As a parent and having received a Catholic education at St Peter's College, I value the strong academic and spiritual foundation that Carmel provides.

I am a lawyer by profession, with experience in both private practice and the corporate sector. I've led the legal team of a New Zealand bank and held other executive roles across compliance, risk, technology, and strategy, working across a range of issues with diverse stakeholders. These roles have given me a solid grounding in governance, financial oversight, risk management, and long-term planning — all of which are central to the responsibilities of a strong board. I'd welcome the opportunity to apply these skills in support of Carmel's strategic direction.

Family keeps me pretty busy outside of work, but I am an active member of a range of community clubs and sporting organisations, and any spare time is spent planning holidays!

If elected, I would bring:

- Executive leadership and governance experience
- A commitment to Carmel's Special Catholic Character and Mercy values
- A collaborative and pragmatic approach to strategy, planning, and school performance
- A clear parental voice focused on wellbeing, achievement, and inclusivity

Carmel is a special place and I would be honoured to play a part in helping to ensure it remains a thriving, values-led school where every girl can flourish — in learning, leadership, and life.

# Annabella D'Lima



I am honoured to put myself forward for nomination to the Board of Trustees at Carmel College, because I'm passionate about supporting our girls to thrive—spiritually, academically, and personally—in a school that's grounded in faith, community, and care.

I am a Chartered Accountant with a Master's degree in Accounting, and currently work in finance at a large, listed company. My professional background includes strong experience in financial management, governance, risk oversight, and strategic planning — skills I believe are highly relevant to the effective governance of our school.

In addition to my professional background, I also serve as Treasurer of the PTA and am actively involved in several parish groups, which gives me a good understanding of both our school community and its wider connection to the Church. My faith is central to my life, and I value the opportunity to contribute to a school environment where Catholic values, academic excellence, and a strong sense of community are upheld.

As a parent of three daughters — with my eldest currently in Year 9 and two more who will be following suit — I have a vested interest in supporting the long-term success and integrity of our school. I am committed to helping ensure that it continues to be a safe, inclusive, and forward-looking environment for all students.

I bring both a heart for service and a mind for stewardship supporting the principal and the leadership team, contributing to a strong strategic vision, maintaining sound financial practices, and ensuring health and safety are all priorities I'm committed to.

Thank you for considering my nomination.

# Raquel Dukic



Hi, my name is Raquel Dukic, and I'm excited to stand for the Board of Trustees as a parent representative. I'm a mum of two—my daughter is currently a student at Carmel—and like many of you, I juggle work, parenting, sport drop-offs, homework battles, and the occasional forgotten lunchbox. I care about the environment our children learn and grow in, and I'd love the opportunity to contribute to that as part of the board.

Professionally, I am a CPA (Certified Practising Accountant) with over 15 years' experience in agency finance and governance. I currently run my own accounting practice where I specialise in accounting systems and processes for creative, advertising, and marketing agencies—providing financial leadership, clarity, and oversight. I help them set up accounting systems to understand their numbers, and I enjoy making numbers simple for creative people and love the vibe and energy in the agency world.

I served on the board of a Women's Refuge as Treasurer for three years and stepped down last year to take on a board role closer to home. It was an experience I genuinely loved. During my time there, we undertook a major property project to create safer, more functional office spaces and accommodation for women and children in crisis. It was a privilege to be part of something so meaningful, and I was proud to play a key role in helping bring it to life. I currently serve as Treasurer on the board of a large sports club with over 1,500 members. In this role, I've helped implement financial systems, improve transparency, and support long-term sustainability through good governance. I have strong experience in budgeting, forecasting, financial reporting, and risk management. I also bring a calm, considered presence to the group—helping create a positive team environment where respect, collaboration, and shared purpose are front and centre.

I'd love the opportunity to contribute to the school in the same way. I understand the responsibilities of being a board member and bring both financial skills and board experience—but more importantly, I bring heart, curiosity, and a willingness to listen and learn.

I'd be honoured to contribute to the Carmel community in a practical, thoughtful way and represent the voices of everyday parents like myself.

# Hanyi Xu

**Academic qualifications:**

- Master of Commerce with First Class Honours (University of Auckland)
- Bachelor of Arts (Conjoint by the City University of New York and the University of Shanghai for Science and Technology)

**Current position:**

- PhD candidate (Business School, University of Auckland)
- Graduate Teaching Assistant (University of Auckland)

**Research Publication**

- My recent research output has been published in the Research Report 13 (April 2025) by the Australian Auditing and Assurance Standards Board.

Why I'm Standing for the Carmel Board of Trustees?

**Here's what I bring:**

- Financial and Governance Expertise

I'm currently doing PhD research in auditing and have a strong background in accounting. I want to use this expertise to support Carmel's financial health, transparency, and long-term sustainability.

- Experienced Educator

I teach undergraduate and postgraduate students at the University of Auckland and understand the critical academic requirements for young learners.

- Professional Leadership Skills

My previous industry experience as a Loyalty Program Manager at a large commercial bank's headquarter in Shanghai taught me how to plan, organise, and lead effectively. I'll bring these skills to this governance role.

- Passion in School Governance

As a mum of two daughters, one is currently studying and the other will study in Carmel, I've been attending a Carmel Board meeting to better understand how the Board operates. I love the efficient, supportive and friendly vibe that I observed from the Carmel Board of Trustees.

**Hope I can contribute to the committee.**

- Commitment to Carmel's Value

I strongly believe in Carmel's Value: Service (Āwhinatanga), Respect (Whakaute), Justice (Tika), Care (Manaakitanga), and Courage (Māia). I want to help the school stay true to its values and grow in a sustainable way.

# Aaron Clark



I'm seeking your support to serve on the Carmel College Board of Trustees because I believe in leaving our community better than I found it, and I want to help ensure every student gets the education they deserve.

As a parent with a Year 8 daughter thriving at Carmel and two more daughters to follow, I'm personally invested in the school's success. Seeing my eldest flourish here has reinforced my belief in Carmel's values, and I want to help maintain this excellence for all families.

I bring nearly a decade of community service experience. Three years on Kauri Park School PTA gave me insight into educational challenges and the importance of strong partnerships between families, teachers, and leadership. Five years on Highbury House Community Board, including three as chairperson, taught me strategic planning, budget oversight, and how to bring diverse groups together around shared goals.

Professionally, I'm a senior manager with extensive experience in strategy, major project delivery, and leading large teams with substantial budgets. This background gives me the practical skills needed for effective governance – from strategic thinking and risk management to stakeholder engagement and delivering results.

My motivation goes beyond my own children to every student at Carmel. I believe in the power of the Mercy values, quality education, and want to support our staff in developing confident, capable young people ready for their futures.

If elected, I'll bring energy, proven experience, and dedication to the board. I'll work hard to ensure Carmel continues providing outstanding opportunities while adapting to our students' evolving needs.

I'd appreciate your support and the chance to serve our school community.

# Sarah-Jane Reweti



Tēnā koutou katoa,

Ko Mournes te māunga, Ko Lagan te awa, Nō Lisburn Northern Ireland ahau. Ko JT taku hoa tane, nō Tūhoe ia. Ko Peyton rāua ko Elysse āku tamariki. Ko Sarah-Jane Reweti toku ingoa.

My mother is from Northern Ireland where the Mourne Mountains stand, and the river Lagan flows. JT (Ngāi Tūhoe) is my husband, and our children are Peyton and Elysse.

I am Sarah-Jane Reweti and my daughter Peyton will be starting her journey in year 7 at Carmel College in 2026. I wish to nominate myself for a parent representative position on the board and this endorsed by Mrs Erica Cataloni.

I have a 20-year background in mental health nursing and over 8 years as a senior nurse in a leadership position. I am a committed Te Tiriti o Waitangi partner, and I have recently completed my Master of Nursing degree which included research on the topic of Cultural Safety for Māori accessing mental health services in Aotearoa; this is pending international publication.

My personal values align with mercy values of justice including supporting diverse and minority groups to achieve equitable outcomes. My career as a mental health nurse has been built on mutual respect, a deep empathy for others, an ability to communicate well and a goal to leave people with hope.

Serving and supporting others is something that I find hugely rewarding and this is evident in how I spend my time. I am actively involved in our current school sports community and am an existing parent representative at Albany Primary School and a national board member for Te Ao Māramatanga (College of mental health nurses New Zealand). I am also a health committee panel member for the Nursing Council New Zealand and a technical expert assessor for the Ngā Paerewa Health and Disability Sector standards audits.

I would like to be part of the Carmel College board as I have a desire to contribute to the school's growth and participate in upholding the school's charter. I am passionate about equitable academic outcomes and supporting others to achieve their potential. This aligns with my own commitment to lifelong learning. I would bring to the board my skills as a strategic thinker, skills in financial oversight, resourcing, policy development and leading health governance.

Thank you in advance for considering my nomination.

Ngā mihi nui,  
Nā Sarah-Jane Reweti