

Parent School Partnership Election

The purpose of the Partnership is: to enable parents and school staff to work together to ensure the best possible educational experience and outcome for the pupils of Knox Academy. It allows a group of parents, who represent the Parent Forum, to meet regularly together with the Head Teacher and representatives of the school staff.

We will be holding an election for new parent members of the Parent School Partnership on 20th January 2010. Here are the election arrangements:

Partnership Election procedures and arrangements



A call for candidates will be issued via our website, email address list and by pupil mail at the end of November. The Knox News will publicise the election in the December edition. Candidates wishing to apply to become a new parent member of the Parent School Partnership should complete and return the application form by email to forum@knoxparents.org.uk or to Parent School Partnership Elections, Knox Academy by Wednesday 6th January 2010. A list of candidates and their application forms will be displayed on our website, sent out to parents and carers registered to receive email briefings and also sent by pupil mail by the 11th January. Voting can be either by return of email forum@knoxparents.org.uk at any time or by submitting the ballot paper to the school office on 20th January.

- 1.1 The Election Day will be 20th January 2010.
- 1.2 Voting will be by return of email or from 9am to 7pm at Knox Academy on 20th January.
- 2.0 Voting will be with a simple 'X' next to the candidate supported.
- 2.1 Ballot papers marked with more than one vote will be deemed invalid and not counted.
- 3.0 A roll of school pupils will be kept in the school office.
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- 3.2 Ballot/secure box will be kept in the school office.
- 3.3 Parents and carers must attend in person to vote unless voting by return of email.
- 3.4 Each parent or carer is allowed to vote once.
- 3.5 The school office staff will mark the school roll accordingly to avoid multiple voting.
- 4.0 Office staff at Knox Academy will be responsible for the counting of votes presented at the school office after close of ballot which will be added to the email votes.
- 4.1 The candidate with the highest number of votes cast for them will be elected to serve with the results being announced at the Parent School Partnership AGM on 21st January and posted on our website.
- 4.3 Where there is a tied vote election and rotation will be achieved by a cut of playing cards.

