

## **Candidate Profile: Candice Patterson**

My family is proud to be part of Goollelal Primary School, a little school with a big heart. Goollelal is well known in the Kingsley and Greenwood area for its strong focus on emotional connection, mindfulness and resilience. I have two children who attend Goollelal and feel very fortunate that their social and emotional development is so well supported. I am excited to nominate for the Goollelal Board and contribute to the future of the school by bringing a balance of big heart and expert skills.



I have attended two board meetings in 2021 as a parent observer and have been impressed with the dynamics of the Board and the Principal's strategic vision for the future of Goollelal. I believe my expert skills will be of great value to the Board in helping Goollelal build on its strengths and develop new approaches to learning. I am looking forward to seeing how Goollelal can improve student academic performance while keeping its big heart.

I am currently employed by the WA Department of Health in the Epidemiology Directorate and hold two professional qualifications (Bachelor of Health Science and Master of Public Health). For over 15 years I have developed my skills in the analysis and reporting of health system data and believe this will easily translate across to education.

My skills in data analysis, program evaluation and performance reporting will help the Board in tracking and evaluating student performance and operational outcomes. I will strongly advocate for high quality and evidence-based learning strategies in Goollelal's approaches to teaching and learning, social and emotional development and the proper management of operational matters.

Finally, I will further contribute to the Board's strategic decision making and demonstrate clear leadership on challenging issues. As a parent representative, I resolve to provide the Board with a balance of my strong expert skills and concerned parent perspective. This balance will help grow Goollelal as a school that is focused on Sharing, Caring and Learning.

## Candidate Profile: Chris Quelch

My name is Chris Quelch, one of the nominees for the recently available school board vacancy. I am an Accountant with estimated 25 years experience, I feel my vast experience would help in this voluntary board position.



I have been part of the Goolleal Primary School since 2015 when my daughter Isabella commenced in Pre Primary. I also have three sons currently attending the school. I am very keen to commit to the school board for the duration of my children's schooling at the school.

Everyone has a life journey, family, employment / business that they embark on. Choices are made along the way on the optional contributions that they make and the reasons for such. I have always been a quiet contributor in most things that I set my mind to. Introvert by nature but somewhat quirky once I feel comfortable in a situation. Due to my longevity within the school already, I have slowly built relationships with other parents and staff. Whether that be through junior sports within the Kingsley community or the many school drop offs & pickups. (I am the Dad that is either suited up or in board shorts and T Shirts, nothing in the middle ☺).

On a personal front, involvement in things like sporting clubs, committees and school boards provides an example to our children that making a contribution is a requirement to achieving environments for which we strive. This is a driver for myself.

The current Board has worked hard to get the culture of the school right, with a strategic focus on the best educational and social/emotional outcomes for the students in the school. If elected I would be privileged to contribute to the great Board team that is currently in place.

Currently in business, I have the flexibility to contribute to other endeavours and feel that now is a good time for myself and my family to make this commitment. I will be able to contribute to all matters where my skill set allows as a parent representative on the school board.

Thank you for your time  
Chris Quelch