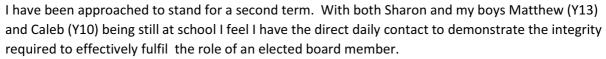
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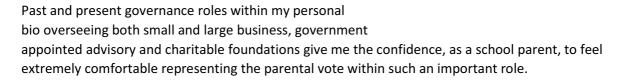
## **Ben Smith**

## For Board of Trustees Nomination

## Whangarei Boys' High School

Having served for the last 3 years as a Parent Elected board of Trustees representative it is with great pleasure





My roles within the school board to date have included membership of both the Finance and Property committee, deputy Chair of the disciplinary committee, Old Boys Association representative and board representative for Carruth House. We have seen many changes in this time and a consistent enhancement in staff skills which has put Whangarei Boys High back in an enviable position poised to deliver even stronger outcomes for our Northland Community going forward.

The next term of a new board presents an amazing opportunity to see major structural physical change within our school environment. With major planning started for these changes, I feel reelection and some consistency around the board table will enhance our outcomes. Having participated over the last 5 years building the \$523m Rural Board Band Initiate and watching Whangarei in particular benefit from such investment, I really look forward to being part of the next board, if given the opportunity, and more to the Whangarei Boys High Community

Community consultation and active daily contact via our son's activities within the school is important and of particular importance to me is to provide the structural governance within the school to enable **every** boy to succeed. As my tipuana (Nana) always said there always needs to be somebody to fill the pot holes and providing a save and stable learning environment for **all** boys is my underlying philosophy.

My commitment to you as parents and guardians of the next generation of "Great Men" of this community is to be fair, be contactable, and to support all learning and development of your boys while in attendance of such a great school and beyond.

I hope you take to time to vote in such an important election process, and if successful, I hope to spend some time with one and all in sharing the successes of your boy's time and effort at Whangarei Boys High.

