



Kia ora Parents, Whanau, and Caregivers,

## Meet the Board of Trustees

### What motivated you to get involved with Welcome Bay School's Board of Trustees?

*I began studying social sciences in 2013, and although my entire adult life I had argued that I didn't want to get involved in 'committees' and 'politics', I came to realise that making a difference meant getting involved, and having a voice. Because my own learning journey was leading me towards the field of education, and I really appreciated the journey Welcome Bay School was already on, it made sense to jump on board (pardon the pun) in a community I already felt part of.*

### What does your role as a Trustee involve?

*I am one of the four elected parent representatives on the current Board. I've been a Board member since 2015.*

*As well as general Board duties like attending meetings and reviewing policies, each Board member holds a portfolio, or area that they oversee/govern, and mine is community consultation. I am responsible for creating the annual Board of Trustees report that comes home at the end of the year, and overseeing the community survey process that informs it. I keep an eye on things like our newsletter, building relationships within the community, and making sure channels of communication are always open. I'm the lady who says hi to everyone on the way in and out of school!*



JENNY BRENNAN

*Kia Ora koutou,*

*I am originally from the UK, but Aotearoa has been home since 2001.*

*I have two children, Emily 24 and Zeth 8 (in hub 3). Just to make life interesting, I also have two mokopuna, Lyla 7 and Lincoln 2. My daughter and her partner live at the Mount and my husband Nick, Zeth and I live across the gully in Ohauti.*

*I have been studying full time for the past four and a half years, with the aim of registering as an educational psychologist in the future.*

*In previous lives, I have been a florist, a chef/caterer, and an admin assistant.*

*I don't get much time for hobbies, but I am always in for coffee and good korero.*

*Nga mihi, Jenny :)*

