## Potential Governor Pen Portrait - Anders Liljendahl

I joined Rushmere Hall as a Governor, as I have a strong desire to give something positive back to the community I live in. As a parent of soon to be two children at the school, and a professional background which I believe has given me skills and experience to support the school effectively, this feels for me a good fit, and the right time in my life to take on such a role.

In my personal life, I am a father of two young boys, and we are keen as a family to get behind and support Rushmere Hall in any way that we can. My wife works in the Health and Wellbeing industry, making us big advocates of the importance of a mental health agenda, and ensuring the school provides a genuinely caring environment for all the children who attend.

In my professional life, I'm an experienced Finance Director, and Board member, with over 15 years of Finance experience working across multiple businesses. My role is to ensure money is controlled, spent, and invested wisely for the greater good of the organisation. Also, as a board member, I have developed skills in strategically guiding the organisations I work for, whilst at the same time creating the space for staff members to do their jobs effectively day to day. I believe these professional experiences and skills, combined with my passion for the school to do well as a parent and local community member, would create a strong combination for me to support Rushmere as a Governor. I also have a science degree, and would be happy to support the school, with my knowledge in this area!

Finally, I believe I have a real strength in collaboration, respecting and understanding the views of others, and the benefits that such an approach brings to create a balanced outcome. As such, I hope that I would bring to the board of Governors, an engaging, positive, collaborative, and respectful approach, working as part of a team, to support the school in achieving its objectives.

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