

Tēnā koutou, ko Jennie Valgre taku ingoa. I have been blessed to have served our school and local community on the Board for the past ten years, with the past three years as Presiding Member. Prior to joining the Edgewater Board, I was fortunate to gain governance experience at Elm Park School and the Board's with Parents Centres New Zealand and the New Zealand Breastfeeding Authority.

For the past 10 years I have also had the privilege of working with rangatahi in number of settings, and currently work as school counsellor at a local high school. This combined experience enables me to contribute to the strategic direction of the school, while maintaining a strong focus on the academic outcomes and wellbeing of both ākonga and staff to create an optimal learning environment. I have a solid understanding of the Board's legal obligations and understand the myriad of factors that the school must comply with.

Edgewater College has developed a reputation for being a school of choice through meeting the unique needs of its student community. As a school we are rich in expertise in our support, teaching, and senior leadership staff and this combined with caring, curious and courageous learners means that Edgewater College, under the expert leadership of our principal and the guidance of the Board, will continue to grow and develop now and into the future.