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Dear Founders families,

We are writing to introduce ourselves as the Chair and Vice Chair of the Local Advisory Board Governors at GEMS Founders School Al Mizhar. We both feel very privileged to have been supporting GFM and Mr. Akram Tarik as governors for the last three years.

Governors are volunteers and our main role is to work with the school ensuring that your children receive the best education in a supportive and safe setting. To this end we have two core strategic functions which are:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Working with the school, to hold leaders to account for the educational performance of the organisation and its pupils, and the effective and efficient performance management of staff

The governors of the LAB come from a range of backgrounds and have different skills, but we could not do our job without the expertise of the Principal, Leadership Team and all the committed staff at GFM. The LAB currently comprises of seven members, who all have individual domains of responsibility that they contribute towards through their expertise. As Chair and Vice Chair we exercise oversight in the areas of Leadership, Inclusion, MOE development and Parental engagement.

Should you wish to share any thoughts or ideas, please contact the parent governors or myself through: <https://www.gemsfoundersschool-mizhar.com/en/About-Us/Local-Advisory-Board> or by emailing [lab\\_gfm@gemsedu.com](mailto:lab_gfm@gemsedu.com)

We look forward to meeting as many of you as possible.

Kind regards,



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**Chair of GFM LAB**



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