

Robert Piggott CE Federation

MEET THE GOVERNORS

Owen Rees - CHAIR joined the board as a Co-opted Governor in March 2017. He works for a London Borough in school governance, and has wide experience in Governance and as a Governor of another school. He has a son attends the infant school.

David Jeary - VICE CHAIR was appointed to the Governing Board as a Parent Governor in 2014 and is now a Co-Opted Governor. He has two children, one in the Junior School and one having been through both schools is now in secondary education. Having spent 4 years as a Parent Governor he now has a greater understanding of the pressures that the whole school team works under and thus the support that can be given by the Governing Board to assist in ensuring the children's education is at the highest possible standards.

Stuart Bevan is the Head of School at the Junior School. Stuart's role is important in aiding communication between the staff and governors. His interests lie in curriculum development, providing a range of platforms for all children to shine as well as the moral and social education of pupils through our values of 'Grace, Courage & Friendship'.

Camilla Cook has been a Foundation Governor for a number of years. Camilla is a teacher by training and is involved in teaching both the young and the not so young at St Mary's Church. Camilla sits on the Curriculum Committee with a specific SEN, Pupil Premium and 'Looked After' Children responsibility. Of particular importance to her is the impact that the Christian faith has on the lives of our children and wider school community.

Mike Etwell OBE became a Co-Opted Governor in September 2018. He lives in Wargrave and is member of the parish Council. Mike has had a long and highly successful career within the rail industry and brings extensive experience up to board level to the governing board. He looks forward to offering his support to the school in a number of areas. He will join the Finance and Infrastructure Committee and assist the school with Health and Safety.

John Halsall was invited to join as the Governing Board as a Local Authority Governor. He is one of two Borough Councillors for Wargrave. Within the Council, John is the chairman of a number of committees. John hopes to play a major part in OSOS (One School One Site) and the Governing Body's relationship with the Council.

Elaine Hughes is the new Head of School at the Infant School. As a mum and teacher Elaine recognises the importance of working with the whole school community to provide a broad, stimulating and value based education for our pupils. An important part of her role will be aiding communication between the Infant School and Governing Board. With a focus on curriculum Elaine will provide regular data and progress reports to the Curriculum committee.

Caroline Meader has been on the Governing Board for over 4 years. she joined as a Parent Governor in 2014 and is now a Co-Opted. She was Chair of Governors in October for 3 years. Caroline also supports the Board as the Development Governor ensuring the continuous development Board Members and is the Link Governor for maths. She has two children one at the Junior School and one now in Year 8 at The Piggott School. and runs her own clinical quality assurance consultancy for the pharmaceutical industry.

George Morton became a Co-opted Governor in September 2017 and has worked for fifteen years as a Secondary English Teacher in both state and independent schools. He is currently the Director of Sixth Form and Deputy Safeguarding Lead at Reading Blue Coat School, and recently completed an MSc in Educational Leadership, specialising in Human Resources and Change Management.

Nigel Revell became a Co-opted Governor in March 2017. He has a daughter who attends the junior school. After a successful career in publishing and as a sales & marketing consultant, Nigel then played a fundamental role in the growth of the national charity Teenage Cancer Trust. After nearly twenty years building this organisation, Nigel left in 2014 to concentrate on his passion of educating young people about cancer. Nigel also works with commercial organisations in the areas of presentation skills training & team building.

Tim Scofield Tim Scofield was appointed to the Governing Board as a Parent Governor in 2018. He has one child in the Infant School. He has been appointed into the Finance and Infrastructure committee, based on his background as a Chartered Civil Engineer and now working in Construction Project Management. His roles in construction have given him a good insight into Health and Safety, Sustainability and working within standards and approved practice.

Ali Sinfield has been part of the Robert Piggott School for 10 years, having previously taught in Swindon, Essex and the London Borough of Redbridge (where she was a Staff Governor for 3 years). She has taught in both the Infant and Junior schools, teaching from Year 1 to Year 6. She has been subject leader for a number of curriculum areas and is now the SENCo for both schools.

Mike Smith was appointed to the Governing Board as a Parent Governor in July 2018. He has one son in the Infant school, his daughter will be starting in September 2019. Mike has many years of business experience with a significant number of those years in global human resources. Mike has partnered with a charity in South Africa, Living Legends who support over 8,000 children in schools around Stellenbosch. Mike completed his MBA at Henley Business School in 2016. Mike is looking forward to applying his knowledge and skills to ensure our children have the best possible education and experience.

Elizabeth Sutcliffe has been a Foundation Governor since 2002. She teaches Classics in Reading. Elizabeth became a Governor when her children were at the school and she continues to support the school by bringing her teaching knowledge to a number of Committees.

Fiona Williams is a Co-opted Governor. She is the Federation's Business Manager and works closely with the Committees responsible for finance, school infrastructure and ICT. Fiona plays a vital role in ensuring the Governing Board has a clear understanding of the school budget and its impact on the running of the school.

David Wyatt has been a Foundation Governor for many years. Throughout this time he has made an invaluable contribution to the Governing Board and continues to do so. His focus is on Personnel, Curriculum and the schools' Christian ethos. He is the Link Governor for Health & Safety. David is also Chair of Governor at Crazies Hill Primary School.

Graham Howe has been part of the Governing Board since 2002. Firstly, as a Parent Governor then as a Foundation Governor, Local Authority Governor and now as an Associate Governor. With a background of company secretarial, sales and general management in the computer industry he brings a non-teaching perspective to the running of the schools.