Lynn Whitaker (Chair of Governors and Pay Committee)
Term of Office: 23.01.24 to 22.01.28 (Originally appointed 08.02.20)



I have lived in Hamble since 2000 with my husband Jon and our very pampered cat Charlie. Whilst we don't have any children of our own, we have been very privileged to be a large part of our many nieces and nephews' lives and have played a key role in their growing up and development. I have been on the Governing Body of Hamble Primary School since 2020 and have been the Chair of Governors for 3 years. It is a role I greatly enjoy and, whilst it can be very busy and challenging at times, it is also enormously fulfilling particularly when I see the progress that the school has made and how this is benefitting the children.

I have worked in a Senior Leadership role in HR and Payroll, mainly in the public sector for all my career and this has stood me in good stead for the duties and responsibilities of being the Chair of Governors. In what little spare time I have I belong to a local community choir and a book club and enjoy spending time with family and friends.



Christian Walton (Vice Chair of Governors, Chair of Head Teacher Performance Management Committee, and Recruitment & Induction Governor)
Term of Office: 14.03.23 to 13.03.27

I moved to Hamble in October 2018 with my wife Jennifer and our cat. Prior to moving to Hamble, we lived in Maidenhead, and in Zurich, Switzerland, where I ran a global learning & development function for a major global organisation. We feel very privileged to be able to live in such a wonderful place and I felt it was important to give back to the community. I have previously volunteered in secondary schools through Mosaic Mentoring and have seen what a difference it makes to children's education, hence my desire to volunteer as a Governor. I have been a Governor since March 2019 and I am currently the Vice-Chair of Governors, as well as being the lead Governor for Finance and Head Teacher Performance Management. I have previously been the Health & Safety link Governor, a role that I recently handed over to one of our newly recruited Governors, who started in January 2022. Being a Governor takes a monthly commitment, as well as school visits and "homework" in order to be an effective member of the school's leadership team – it is a very rewarding experience to see how the wonderful children at the school develop and grow. In my spare time I enjoy sailing and DIY and also volunteer as skipper and crew for Wet Wheels Hamble, and until May 2022 I crewed for the Hamble lifeboat.

Claire Hewitt (Headteacher)

Date Appointed: 15.03.22



I was delighted to be appointed as Headteacher after my 5 years here as Deputy Head and am enjoying working with the governing body to continue to ensure our children get a fulfilling and successful educational experience during their time at Hamble Primary. I live locally and have 2 school-age children which I think helps me think 'like a parent' at times too when making decisions about the school. I still enjoy teaching, though opportunities are fewer now, and I think it's important to remember what it is like being in the classroom when supporting staff. I am committed to making the school a prominent feature of our local community and a place that all children and parents are proud to be part of.

Andy Howells (Parent Governor)

Term of Office: 15.06.26 to 14.06.30 (Originally appointed 25.05.22)

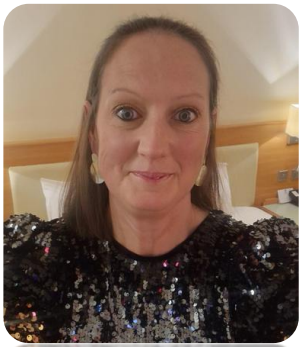


I am from South Wales originally and first moved to the Southampton area in 2003 to attend Southampton Solent University. I've lived in various places since, including the Czech Republic and Sweden, and have been settled in Hamble since 2013, where I live with my wife and two young children. My eldest attends Hamble Primary School, we would like my youngest to attend when he is old enough, and it's a pleasure to be able to serve as a Parent Governor. My wife and I managed to make national news in the first UK lockdown, after I somehow delivered our youngest son myself; my wife giving birth in our car in a supermarket car park near to the Princess Anne Hospital!

As well as volunteering on the Board of Governors, I work as the Assistant Director for External Affairs at Universities UK International, a sector body representing more than 140 UK universities and their interests overseas, leading their campaigns, communications and events activities.

Emily Mackay (Parent Governor)

Term of Office: 14.03.24 to 13.03.28



I have lived in Hamble since 2012 with my husband Toby, two cats and two children, that currently attend Hamble Primary school. It is a pleasure to volunteer to be a parent governor and support the school, where my children are currently thriving. I was brought up in Poole and moved to Wales, aged 18, to study Accountancy at Cardiff University. I met my husband here and we stayed in Cardiff for 10 years. I started my accountancy career in practice, completing audits within the Welsh valleys, but I have now worked in Financial Services sector for 14 years where I am currently an Associate Director. In my spare time I enjoy being active, whether it is netball, paddleboarding, attending park runs or just watching my kids play their own sports.

Kirsty Taylor (Local Authority Governor)
Term of Office: 01.03.25 to 28.02.29



I have lived in Hamble for 17 years with my husband, Jonathan. I am currently not working to support my husbands' professional sailing career and to raise our two sons who are at Senior school, I therefore, understand and appreciate the importance of a solid foundation required in the early years of learning and have first-hand experience of the professionalism the staff have and the drive to perform at the highest levels. I have experience working in a team environment with a working background in Events and Logistics. Over the years, I have been heavily involved in Community activities, including fundraising and volunteering, I am very keen to get onboard with the ongoing development of our great village school and to help support the staff. In my spare time I enjoy racket sports and on water activities.

Caroline Timbrell (Co-opted Governor)
Term of Office: 16.09.25 to 15.09.29



I first moved to Southampton in 1964 when my father's job was relocated there. I attended Southampton Grammar School for Girls as it was then – now Richard Taunton Sixth Form College. I moved to work in London in 1970 subsequently getting married in 1976. We bought our house in Hamble in 2019, just before the Covid outbreak. My last 14 years at work were at our local primary school where I was a LSA working with a variety of children with additional educational needs including 3 children with Downs Syndrome. My husband and I were both heavily involved with our local community in London and now in Hamble we would like to do the same here. We have already been involved with the quarry appeal and would like to be involved with other things here in Hamble. So when the invitation came I obviously was interested particularly with the proposed Resourced Provision for children with Autism.

Georgi Walters (Staff Governor)
Term of Office: 01.09.26 to 31.08.30

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Annie Yuratich (Co-opted Governor)

Term of Office: 23.01.24 to 22.01.28



I have lived in Hamble for over thirty years, where my three children attended local schools. I recently retired from a long and diverse nursing career, working within both general and psychiatric settings. My last position was Nurse Practitioner and Prescriber for a busy Southampton doctors' surgery. A positive school experience makes a huge difference towards children achieving their full potential and I hope to do my part in supporting the school staff and community in this. I am especially interested in the provision of education for those with special needs.