



LUNSFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Meet the Governors

Jacquelyn Sharpe -Co-opted governor

Jacquelyn joined the school as a Co-Opted governor in 2011 starting as Learning lead before becoming Vice Chair and been Chair of Governors and Safeguarding Lead for the last 6 years. She has lived locally for over 35 years, teaching in secondary schools both locally and in Swale for over 20 years before retiring and working part time for a further 10 years. Jacquelyn, is a mother and grandmother, has a Masters Degree in Education and is also a local Parish Councillor.

Current Governor Roles

Chair

Safeguarding Lead

Gary Hodnett Local Authority Governor

Gary joined the Lunsford Primary team as a Co-opted Governor in Feb 2016 but changed to an appointed LA Governor in 2017. Before retiring Gary was a project manager for Morrisons and Asda and is still working part time as a consultant. He lives in nearby Halling and has two children and three grandchildren. Gary has a Master's degree in Business Administration and has been a Director/Trustee for the Heart of Kent Hospice and a retail auditor for Barnardo's. He is passionate about education, particularly of young children and want to help them fulfil their potential, whatever their background. Gary has been Finance Lead for all his time as a governor but also served as Co-Chair for the last two years.

Current Governor Roles

Finance Lead

Pay Panel Member

Health and Safety Lead

Gary Anscombe Headteacher

I started as Head Teacher at Lunsford in April 2016 after successfully completing my NPQH. Before that I was Assistant Headteacher at a 3-form entry primary school in Tunbridge Wells. I have been in education for 22 years and held various roles and responsibilities including Head of Year, various curriculum leadership roles and Teacher Governor positions before becoming headteacher at Lunsford. During my time here the school has moved to mobiles whilst a roof repair was carried out and returned to a refurbished and updated school with the library moved to become the heart of the school. Soon after starting at Lunsford we had an Ofsted inspection which rated us as Good. A further Ofsted inspection in 2023 confirmed our rating of Good.

Elizabeth Lomax Deputy Headteacher/ Co-opted Governor

I have worked at Lunsford for over 20 years and during that time have taught in both Key Stage One and Key Stage Two and held several different positions of responsibility. In September 2017 I became Deputy Headteacher of the school and joined the governing body. Within school, I have led Maths, English, SMSC, Assessment and Teaching and Learning and have been the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead since 2017. I am also responsible for staff CPD and lead on ITE (initial teacher education) so work closely with Canterbury Christ Church University.

Claire James Staff Governor

Claire joined Lunsford primary school in 1998 fresh out of college, where she studied NNEB diploma in Child care for 2 years. She really enjoys being part of the Lunsford family as she has worked here for 27 years as well as also coming to Lunsford as a child herself. Claire works as a Teaching Assistant at the school and has experience across KS1 and KS2 as well as in supporting wellbeing. Claire was appointed as a staff governor in 2019.

Current Governor Roles

Training Lead

Wellbeing lead

John Coffey Co-opted Governor

John joined as a parent governor at Lunsford Primary School in April 2019 but was subsequently appointed as a co-opted for the skills he brought to the governing body. John is an accountant who has spent the majority of his career working in the NHS so has lots of experience in budget management and business planning as well as managing a small team. In my role he is used to liaising with a variety of people from different backgrounds, working together to reach the best outcome for the health service. His two children have just left Lunsford for their secondary schools and John feels passionate about using his skills to support the school to meet the needs of its pupils through both the achievement of set standards and also in preparing for change and development.

Current Governor Roles

Disadvantaged and Attendance Co-Lead

Pay Panel member

Health and Safety Lead

Alyce Le Brunn-Healey Co-opted Governor

Alyce has joined us as a Co-opted Governor in 2022 to report specifically on progress of our pupils Reading and Writing. She is an assistant head in a large secondary school who additionally teaches English and is a mother to pre-school children too. Alyce is contributing her substantial experience of language to our Governor Team as well as learning more about the schemes used in language acquisition in EYFS.

Current Governor Roles

Learning Lead

Andy Wall Parent Governor

Andy joined Lunsford Primary School in May 2022 as Parent Governor and now has 2 children at the school.

Andy was a student at Kent Institute for Design and has governor experience from that time. He was employed as a lecturer for KIAD but now runs his own business in the design field. Andy's management experience will be welcomed by the Lunsford Governing Board.

Current Governor Roles

ICT Lead

Cybersecurity Lead

Bob Harvey Co-opted Governor

Bob joined Lunsford Primary School in Feb 2023 as a Co-opted Governor. Bob has recently retired and moved to the area. He is keen to learn how to apply his skills to the role of governor and has been keen to undertake training which will help. Bob has previously been a governor of another school so will be able to advise on alternative systems of operation.

Current Governor Roles

Disadvantaged and Attendance Co-Lead

Pay Panel member

Linda Ozavci Parent Governor

Linda joined Lunsford Primary School in May 2023 as a Parent Governor with one child at the school. Linda is a financial news editor and works on providing training materials for writers. She has a background in adult education and has already done some excellent work monitoring Early Years.

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Current Governor Roles

EYFS

Stephanie Smith Co-opted Governor

Stephanie joined Lunsford Primary School in July 2023 as Coopted Governor. Stephanie works as the chief executive of a charity that relies heavily on professional volunteers and would like to experience the volunteer role herself. She has close relatives and friends who work as primary teachers and is very interested in the education of young children. Stephanie's job role allows her flexibility with her time so she will be able to participate fully in the monitoring role. Stephanie has recently become Vice Chair.

Current Governor Roles

Vice Chair

Matthew Extance Parent Governor

Matthew joined the FGB as a parent governor at the end of 2023 on his return to Larkfield from working abroad. Matthew had an elder child at Lunsford Primary school prior to the move and his second child has recently joined the school. Matthew has already begun his training and has shown by his questioning in meetings that he has a keen interest in education.

Current Governor Roles

Headteacher Appraisal Panel

Health and Safety Deputy

Abigail Lapthorn Co-opted Governor

Abigail lives locally and works with children as a social worker attached to the courts. She has a wealth of experience with children and their needs and is especially knowledgeable on safeguarding and the wellbeing and mental health of children. Abigail is keen to put her experience to use within the school setting and will be a welcome help with governor safeguarding monitoring.

Current Governor Roles

Headteacher Appraisal Panel

Safeguarding Deputy