

Governor Bio - Sept 2023

Katie Hogan - Co-opted Governor and Chair of Governors

I joined the governing body in 2015 when my daughter began in Reception and I have loved being a part of the school's continuing journey towards offering all children a first class education ever since. I have seen the school go from strength to strength giving children a well rounded educational experience that really cares about the whole child. I have worked as a secondary school history teacher in Havering for nearly 20 years and truly believe that good teaching and learning, as well as fun and kindness should be at the heart of all children's educational experience.

Angela Bell - Co-opted Governor

I joined the JOPS governing body in 2022. My background is in healthcare where I have worked as a pharmacist for 20 years. I have three young children with the eldest at primary school. I decided to be a school Governor to give back to my community whilst also gaining an understanding of the mechanics and governance of running a school, in order to support me in raising my three children throughout their school journeys. I am impressed and encouraged by the immense hard work played by all the staff at JOPS to give all children the best start in life; and this is evident in the positive attitude to learning displayed by children at the school.

Alan McFadden - Co-opted Governor and Chair of Finance and Premises Committee

I taught in secondary schools for more than 30 years, most of the time in Cranham. I initially became a governor to help foster links between primary and secondary school. As a long term governor I have been pleased to see the school develop into a thriving, inclusive community where the development of the whole child is paramount rather than a narrow focus on SATs. Whenever I visit, I never fail to be impressed by the pupils who are the school's best advertisement and the engaging teaching on show..

Lee Doe - Co-opted Governor

I have been a secondary school teacher since 2007, working locally in Havering. I am also the Welfare Officer for a local youth football team. I am passionate about Design & Technology with a real focus on sustainability. Both my children have been part of the JOPs community where I have had the pleasure of watching them grow and develop thanks to the fantastic staff and quality teaching.

Nichola Chapman - Co-opted Governor

I am mum to two energetic and cheeky boys, one in Year 2 and his younger brother attends the preschool, so I am looking forward to serving the school for years to come.

I have no previous experience in the educational field, however I have a strong background in Sales Mediation, Customer Services, Human Resources, Learning and Development programs and Health & Safety. I manage multiple projects across the country along with carrying out my duties as a Main Board Director in the build industry. Prior to this position, I served as a Crown/Civil servant for a number of years.

I believe I have a varied skill base that can transfer well to the work of school governance, supporting the dedicated staff and ensuring that all children are safeguarded well and can fulfill their potential. I am passionate, hardworking, and willing to learn anything that would help fulfill this role.

Dharam Chavda - Co-opted Governor and Chair of Finance and Premises Committee

I have always wanted to be part of the governing body of the school my children went to and I was fortunate enough to join in early 2023.

With a background in finance, I want to help support the school and JOPS community to continue to provide a strong foundation to all children.

My eldest started Reception in September 2023 and in a short space of time, I've loved seeing her development thanks to the dedicated staff. I immediately knew I wanted my daughter to attend JOPS when we went to visit on the open day. The school layout, huge grounds and positive vibes around the school made my decision very easy.

Amanda Prevost - Parent Governor

I have two children that attend JOPS, and it has been a privilege to watch them thrive here. From the moment I attended the school open day I knew it was a community I wanted my children to join. The staff are all so lovely and friendly, the pupils polite and respectful. I have loved being a part of the school so, when an opportunity to become a Parent Governor came up, it was something I wanted to do. Just like every parent at JOPS, I want the very best for our children. I want them to be happy, healthy, confident, respectful and prepared for life beyond JOPS. I hope as a Governor I am able to support these aspirations.

Paula Winter - Parent Governor

I have two children that attend JOPS, in both Reception and Year 1. As a fairly new parent to the school, I can honestly say that choosing JOPS for my children's school was an immediate choice as soon as I walked through the doors on that first new parent tour. The staff, the children, the provision, and most definitely the atmosphere, meant that I didn't want to send my children anywhere else.

I have been working in education for nearly 20 years, and am an Assistant Headteacher in a large primary school in Dagenham. Having the opportunity to be a part of the governing body of JOPS is a real privilege, as it gives me the opportunity to use my experience on a more personal level and be a part of serving the wonderful JOPS community and supporting all of our children's experience at school.

Deborah Piper - Staff Governor

I have been a member of the JOPS community for 22 years, working as a Teaching Assistant. Family is very important to me and JOPS has always had a friendly, family feel. I am enthusiastic about helping all children to achieve their learning goals and that they should be given every support needed to accomplish this.

Trevor Bright - Associate Member

I am a secondary school teacher working at Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School. I first joined the governors when my children were at JOPS; which is now a long time ago! Over that time I have been privileged to see the school develop and thrive.

As a parent I chose to send my children here because I loved the feel of the school and the fact that it was interested in the development of the whole child rather than simply passing tests. My children were able to enjoy so many varied opportunities during their time at JOPS; that all three developed a love of school which led them to thrive in secondary school. As a member of the governors I hope to do what I can to enable other children to develop, learn and enjoy school as much as my own.
