

# **LOCAL GOVERNING BOARD** **THE TOTNES HUB 2017 - 2018**

## *Chair: Anna Neville*

Teacher

Four children at Landscope

Child Protection and Anti-Bullying Advisor to the Governing Council

Co-opted Governor – End of term 31/03/2020

Responsibility for Safeguarding & Recruitment Procedures

Anna Neville is a qualified Primary School teacher with five years of teaching experience. Anna taught in an inner city school in Plymouth for three years, a large middle school in Milton Keynes for a year and a small village church school in Buckinghamshire for two years.

Anna's specialist subject areas were Art and Literacy.

For the past twelve years Anna has stayed at home to bring up her four sons. Isaac, her eldest son, has just started at SDCC. Her three other sons (Conrad 9, Edgar 6 and Magnus 4) all attend Landscope. Anna has also been an active member of the schools PTFA (FOLS)

Anna joined the governing body in March 2012 as a parent governor and also took the lead for Safeguarding.

## *Vice Chair: Barnaby Harris*

Parent Governor – End of term 31/03/2020

One child currently at Landscope C of E Primary School (and parent of three alumni!)

Barnaby Harris is a director of Soupdragon Resources Ltd and of Barnaby's Brewhouse Ltd. His experience spans trade and technical publishing, web development, application service provision, IT consultancy and systems design / implementation. He has built technology platforms for the social care sector, online knowledge bases and has worked on a variety of web-based software projects. Soupdragon Resources develops identity and trust management software for the healthcare sector. More recently he has set up an organic brewery based at Riverford.

## *Janet Watts:*

OFSTED Inspector and Retired Head Teacher

Co-opted Governor - End of term 31/03/2020

Governor Monitoring Lead

Janet Watts is a qualified Primary School teacher. She taught in several different schools, before having two primary headships in Hampshire, one at a small village school and then a large primary school.

Together with husband Neil, Janet moved to Devon in 1991 as a local authority adviser for primary schools. In the early days of Ofsted inspections, Janet both led inspections and was a team member, employed by a range of inspection contractors.

Janet retired from full time work in 1999, but continued to work as an educational consultant, continued with inspection work, and was an accredited assessor of candidates for the NPQH (National Professional Qualification for Headteachers). Janet was invited to become an occasional trainer for Devon Governor Services, from 2002 - 2005.

Janet has previous experience as a governor at a primary school in Newton Abbot; she continues to work as an inspector for Ofsted and as a consultant supporting primary schools.

Janet's hobbies are horse riding, caravanning, gardening and walking her dogs. As chair of the teaching and learning committee, Janet continues (and in this she has never changed) to care passionately that every child is entitled to a good education in a school that is well led, where children are taught by good teachers and experience a rich and wide curriculum. A school in which children achieve and make progress, both academically and socially, but above all enjoy learning.

## ***Paul Bedford***

Architect

One child at Stoke Gabriel Primary School

Parent Governor – End of term 31/03/2020

Responsibility for Health and Safety and Premises

Paul Bedford has been a Parent Governor with the Federation since Autumn 2011. He lives and works in Stoke Gabriel with his wife Catherine and children Otto, who has 3 more years at the school and daughter Martha who left from there in 2013.

Paul and Catherine's architectural firm specialises in low energy sustainable design of one-off houses and repair of historic buildings. Clients include Totnes Town Council, the National Trust and Dartington Hall. From 1994 to 1996 he worked for UNESCO in Zanzibar managing hands-on buildings skills training for 30 young people.

## ***Tony Callcut***

Executive Principal – End of term 31/03/2020

Tony Callcut has been working in education since 1992. Having started as a class teacher at Ernesettle Junior School, in 1992 he became a senior teacher at Woodlands Park Primary School in Ivybridge. Following a year teaching in Australia as part of a British Government Teacher exchange scheme, he returned in 2001 to work in secondary education, based at Paignton Community and sports College and working across 33 Torbay Primary Schools. Tony became Director of Sport then after completing his NPQH, became the Headteacher of Diptford C of E Primary School in 2008. After leading this very popular and highly regarded school through two successful Ofsted inspections, he helped form the Totnes Federation of Village Primary Schools. The original six school Federation operating under a co-headship structure evolved to become a four school Federation with Tony being appointed in 2014 as the Executive Headteacher. In 2016, the Federation joined with the Newton & Teign Federation to form the Link Multi Academy Trust. Tony is now Executive Principal for the Trust.

Tony has a degree in Environmental Science, and both NPQH National Professional Qualification for Headship and PEH (Primary Executive Headship). He is married with two teenage daughters.

## ***Rev Tom Benson***

Ex Officio Foundation Governor – Appointed by the Diocese

Responsibility for Community & Parent Links

Reverend Tom Benson is the vicar responsible for the Dart Valley Mission Community covering Buckfastleigh, Dean Prior, Landscope, Staverton and Littlehempston. Before ordination Tom was a registered psychiatric nurse, working for 24 years in hospitals and in the community.

Originally from Derbyshire and married to Mary Anne, Tom has four children, the youngest attending South Dartmoor College and the older two away at university. They have lived in North Devon since 1995, moving to Buckfastleigh in 2012 to take up the post there. Tom is passionate about promoting community response to local needs and is the chairman of the Trussel Trust Food Bank in Buckfastleigh.

## ***Sue Roach***

Retired Bank Manager, HSBC

Co-opted Governor – End of term 31/03/2020

Responsibility for Finance

Sue Baker took early retirement from her position as a Premier Personal Banking Manager with HSBC in September 2013 having completed 34 years banking service and experienced a variety of roles in the banking arena.

Sue has always enjoyed working with children having previously run the Stoke Gabriel Sunday Club for many years and now volunteers in the village primary school, working with reception and year 1 children and also overseeing the School Council.

In her new found 'free time', Sue enjoys singing, amateur dramatics, walking, swimming and taking an active role in her local community. Sue joined the Governing body in January 2014, she is a co-opted governor and is the lead governor for finance.

## *David Palframan*

Foundation Governor – Appointed by the Diocese - End of term 31/03/2020

Retired Engineer

Responsibility for School Improvement

David Palframan graduated from Newcastle University with an engineering degree and worked for many years in the plastics industry. He then trained as a teacher (PGCE) and taught science (physics) in a large secondary school. David has been a school governor for 11 years, initially at Diptford and now with the Federation.

## *Cat Radford*

Parent Governor – End of term 28/09/20

Two children currently at Harbertonford C of E Primary School

Cat has been involved with various school committees and feels she has a reasonable understanding of how a school works and what role a parent can play in support. She is clerk to Harberton Parish Council so has a growing understanding of when committees are their most effective. Cat works in the field of arts and culture as a project manager, evaluator and consultant, having been a student at Dartington College of Arts, a member of a theatre company and teaching on the theatre and arts management courses. She says 'life is varied and busy and I look forward to bringing all these experiences to the governing board'.

## *Lizzie Lethbridge*

Staff Governor – End of term 21/10/20

Lizzie Lethbridge has been a teacher for more than 20 years and has worked in a range of schools of different size and context in Plymouth and Bristol. Throughout her teaching career, she has taught across the Primary phase, from Reception to Year 6. She has also held several leadership roles including Key Stage leader, Assistant Head and Deputy Head. She has been Head of School at Harbertonford C of E Primary School since 1st April 2016 and joined the governing board in September 2016 as staff governor supporting SEND.

Lizzie was born and bred in Bristol and moved to Plymouth after attending Marjons University. She is married with 2 sons. Her 14 year old attends Ivybridge Community College and her 10 year old is at Manadon Vale Primary in Plymouth.

## *Tim Jordan*

Parent Governor – End of term 04/12/2020

Three children currently at Diptford Primary School

Tim moved to Devon in the Summer of 2016 and is currently a Parent Governor for Diptford, with two of his children attending the school.

He has over 20 years of experience in education as both a teacher and school leader within the secondary phase. He is currently teach part time and works for a training company delivering CPD programmes to members of the teaching profession. He has previously served for 4 years as a staff governor.

## *David Gay*

Co-Opted Governor – End of term 04/12/2020

Two children currently at Diptford Primary School.

David is a consultant radiologist at Derriford Hospital. He has three children: one in year seven who has recently left Diptford and two currently in years five and one. He has a PGCE in medical education and a diploma in strategic leadership and management.

## *Sue Howard*

Clerk to the Governors