

INTRODUCING HOLYMEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNORS.



Jessica Coggins – Chair of governors

I became a co-opted governor in October 2017 and I am currently the Chair of the Governors, a member of the Curriculum, Standards and Inclusion Committee and the link governor for Special Educational Needs and Disability. I am passionate about equality and diversity, alongside the accessibility and provision of quality education. Employed by the University of the West of England (UWE) as a Research Associate, I am currently working on a feasibility study exploring the implementation of a Fibromyalgia Self-Management Programme within the community.



Kate Slatcher – Head Teacher

I have been a governor at Holymead since I became head of the infant school in January 2005. During that time, I have worked closely with governors to merge the previously separate schools into one single primary school providing a good all through education for pupils from 4-11 years. It is a pleasure to serve on a board of dedicated governors who provide support and challenge to help maintain the great work that is done at Holymead.



Ruth Clacey-Roberts – Vice Chair of governors

I have been a parent governor since May 2018 and I have two children currently attending the school. I am the Vice-Chair, Chair of the Health and Safety Committee and the lead governor for Health, safety and Wellbeing. I currently work as an Employment Relations Consultant, having spent the previous 12 years working as an employment solicitor.



Jo Randall

“I started as a parent governor at the junior school and then became a co-opted governor for Holymead Primary. I am currently chair of the Curriculum, Standards and Inclusion committee (CSI). My background is in communications, marketing and public relations and I run my own agency business. My daughter attended Holymead, she is now studying for ‘A’ levels, and my son is currently in the juniors. I am passionate about issues relating to diversity and inclusion and I am the nominated Holymead Governor for Safeguarding. I am committed to continuous improvement and excellence for all children at Holymead Primary.”



Amy Callaway

I have recently become a co-opted governor and sit on the Finance and Staffing committee. With a keen interest in employment law and employee engagement, I am a Human Resources Manager within a Financial Services organisation. I am passionate about quality education and providing the right opportunities, skills and resources for all. With over ten year's experience I have also been a children's sports coach in both a club and school environment.



Daher Aden

I am currently an Energy Industry Lead with a background in continual process improvement. I have previously worked in child-protection (Supervised Contact in Corporate Parenting), policing (Met Police Service) and educational non-governmental organisations.

My area of focus is business process improvement, monitoring & evaluation framework. I joined the governing body in March 2019, and I am currently the Pupil Premium Governor.



Jo Head

I have taught at Holymead Primary School since 2005 across both the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. I am now the Deputy Head of the KS1 site.

I love teaching at Holymead and enjoy being part of the governing body contributing the running of the school in the interest of our community.

I am a staff governor and sit on the Curriculum Standards and Inclusion committee.



Robert Ryan

I am a Parent Governor who joined in February 2019 and I am currently the Governor for Children in Care. Originally from London, I currently have two children in the school (one on the infants site and one on the juniors) and has lived in Brislington for over 10 years. As a professional I work in a recruitment team for a large multi-national services company, with a particular focus on external marketing and communications



Phil Wright

I have been a governor at Holymead since 2009. Firstly at the juniors and then playing a role to bring that school together with the infants to create Holymead Primary. I have taken many lead roles including being Chair and vice-chair of governors and chairing the Finance Committee. I am currently a co-opted governor, but do have one child still at the school.



Stewart McSmythurs

I have been a teacher at Holymead since 2008 and currently teach in Year 2. I have researched interests in how children develop their early number and calculation skills, with the aim that pupils at Holymead have the self-confidence and skills to be successful mathematicians. In my role as a Specialist Leader for Education, I work with other schools across the South West region to develop outstanding teaching and learning in primary mathematics. I sit on the Curriculum, Standards and Inclusion Committee. This allows me to support the strategic direction of the school to achieve the best outcomes and richest learning experiences for the children in our school community.



Judith Buckley

I am the Business Manager at Holymead Primary and have worked at the school for nearly 30 years. I have also been a governor for many years. I sit on the Finance and Staffing Committee, as well as the Health, Safety, Wellbeing and Premises Committee. I provide the governors with information about the budget, quotes for larger purchases, walk round the buildings prioritising maintenance and upgrading work to be done throughout the year, as well as looking at the various policies that are in place to make the school a safe, well-kept and pleasant place to work for staff, children and parents alike.



Nimco Youssuf

My name is Nimco Youssuf. I am a clinical research associate with a large clinical research organization.

I am a parent governor and I am responsible for monitoring equality within the school. I am fairly new to the governing body but I hope to contribute in a positive way and to be a voice for the parents. I am passionate about providing our children with the best possible education so that each individual can reach their true potential.