

More Information About Our Governors

Hello, my name is **Alan Whitaker** and I have been Chair of Governors at Holywell for nearly a year. I am a retired Residential Special School Head teacher. My connection to the school is through my granddaughters, one of whom is in Year 3 and the other in Pre-School. I am always happy to be contacted via the school and would aim to get back to you as quickly as possible.

My Name is **Scott Grant** and I have been a parent governor at Holywell since 2019. I have two sons at the school, one in reception (Willow Class) and one in year 4 (Holly Class). I am currently the Vice chair of governors, Chair of the head teachers performance management committee and governor responsible for Health & Safety. Away from school I am a Royal Navy veteran and now a Health & Safety consultant and instructor teaching first aid, fire safety, health and safety and first aid for mental health.

Hello, I'm **Revd Sheila Anthony**, Rector of the Meridian Benefice which includes Holywell cum Needingworth parish church. I am a link governor for the Creative Arts Curriculum Team and SIAMS, which looks at the impact of the school's Christian vision on children and adults within the community. I have been involved in setting up a Prayer Space in the school and instigated the Open the Book Team who lead an assembly each week, ably helped by the children.

My name is **Carol Peilow** and I am one of our Foundation Governors. A Licensed Lay Minister within the Meridian Benefice, I worship at Holywell cum Needingworth's parish church of St John the Baptist at Holywell. My Governor link roles are SIAMs and as a member of the Arts Curriculum team. I am a former Royal Naval Officer, recently retired from my second career as a Civil Servant with the MOD. I live in Holywell with my husband Ben.

My name is **Lizzi Fabisz** and I am currently working in my second school year teaching at Holywell. Having taken the decision to move away from my previous career working in retail management, I was incredibly excited to accept an exciting opportunity volunteering in KS2 at Holywell. During this time, I completed my apprenticeship to become a qualified primary school teacher and since that time, have thoroughly enjoyed developing my teaching skills and supporting my class both academically and also more broadly in terms of their overall personal development. I am keen to continue building my experience working at Holywell and to offer new ideas to help support the children's educational growth. I hope by offering my support as a governor I will be able to achieve this objective and am very much looking forward to the challenge.

My name is **Linda Dingle**; I have been a co-opted governor for Holywell since September 2019. I am a retired secondary school teacher and have latterly retired from graduate teacher training. My role on the governing team is Link governor for mathematics and STEM subjects.

Mark Hodge - Parent Governor. My daughter is now in year 3 and has had a fantastic start to her education at Holywell School. I also have a son in reception. I grew up in Needingworth, and attended Holywell School myself as a child. Apart from my time at University, I have always been local to the area. I now work as an ACMA qualified accountant and now volunteer my time and experience to contribute to the continued success of the school. Early education is of utmost importance, and I enjoy the opportunity of helping to ensure that the school maintains its excellent standards.

Hannah McVey. I am a parent governor with a daughter in reception. I am currently the link governor for EYFS and safeguarding and am particularly passionate about the value outdoor learning can bring to the curriculum and ensuring that all children have access to the best education and opportunities possible. I work for an organisation called The Country Trust whose mission is to provide access and engagement with the countryside to those living in areas of high deprivation. I manage our national residential programme and a project focusing on sustaining the impact of our work in schools. My career has included time with the National Trust, Teach First and The Wildlife Trust and a year spent helping my wife write a book about horse training around the world. I wrote the follow on books for the National Trust's 50 things campaign and am hoping to continue with some writing projects when time allows. I live on a boat called Wilhelmina with my wife, daughter and 2 year old son.

Sue Vickery. I have been part of the teaching profession based in primary schools for 40+ years. I was privileged to be Head at Holywell for the final 10 years of my career. All 3 of my children attended Holywell and my two grandchildren are pupils of the school. I have maintained interest in the school since retiring 10 years ago and welcomed the opportunity to support the school as a governor in 2020. My current role includes membership of the finance committee and curriculum monitoring. I consider the primary school years as the opportunity for children to develop and grow within a school family under the guidance of the community of which they are a part.