

Heidi Gibbons

My name is Heidi Gibbons and I am the mother to 3 boys who have attended the school over the past 8 years. I serve as a Parent Governor at Hayes Meadow and am a nominated link Governor for PE and Pupil Premium. I currently work as a Financial Controller for a creative design and live events agency based in Leicester and have worked in finance for over 10 years. In the past I have been treasurer to the local preschool, cricket club and Hayes Meadow PTA. I also live locally to the school and have sat on various committees and have been heavily involved in fundraising and raising awareness on issues that are local to the area.

Jack Andrea

My name is Jack Andrea and I'm a former pupil at Hayes Meadow Primary School. I have been a member of the governing body for 3 years and currently serve as Vice Chair of Governors and nominated link governor for SEND and Science. I am a qualified Primary school teacher and I support the governing board with my knowledge and experience of working in education. Before becoming a teacher I worked as a special needs teaching assistant, primarily working in mainstream settings. Therefore I work closely with the SENDco on how best to support children with additional needs in school. As a former pupil, the staff have supported me throughout my education and I feel it is important that I now offer something back to the school community and its pupils, supporting and challenging senior leaders to 'Be The Best We Can Be'. I also am a member of the local community and campaign on local issues.

Belinda Pinnock

Having been a teacher at Hayes Meadow Primary School for over 16 years and now retired, I feel privileged to be able to maintain my involvement with the school and community as a co-opted member of the governing body.

I have a passion to see, and be involved in, the continuing hard work carried out at Hayes Meadow to ensure all pupils can achieve their full potential.

Marie Brown

Hello, I'm Marie Brown, a co-opted Governor here at Hayes Meadow. I myself grew up in Handsacre and attend Hayes Meadow during my primary school years. I have strong family connections in the village and my daughter is now enjoying her primary education here too.

I really like Handsacre as there is a real sense of community and I feel that school embraces this well.

As a Governor I feel that the strengths I offer come from my profession. I have an abundance of management experience which has taught me excellent negotiation and communication skills. My career has always been business to business which makes me very pragmatic in my approach. I'm not afraid to ask challenging questions and can sometimes offer an alternative perspective to things which can lead to new thoughts and ideas.

Education is a huge passion of mine. I feel strongly that no matter what a child's ability is, they should have the right to an ambitious but enjoyable education in an environment where they feel safe and can be challenged to thrive to achieve the best they can.

I do also have a softer, caring, nurturing side to me too which is where my role within the PTFA comes into play. I get a lot of pleasure from seeing the children having fun whilst also raising money for school projects which they themselves have chosen.

I'm also on the committee for the SSDCS charity and do a small amount of fundraising for BCH.

Margaret Wainwright

My name is Margaret Wainwright. I have lived in Handsacre for 30 years. I became a member of the governing Board 25 years ago. Currently I serve as Chair of Governors, sit on the Head Teachers Performance Management and strategic Committees and am nominated link governor for maths. My ambition is that all our children 'Be the Best We Can Be', feel safe and are happy in our school environment.

Tessa Riley

I have been a community governor at Hayes Meadow Primary School since 2001. I am currently a member of the strategic Committee and Head Teacher's Performance Management Committee. I am also the link governor for safeguarding, Looked after children, Health and safety and Religious Education.

Since I have been a governor I have felt privileged to work with such a hard-working, motivated and dedicated school staff team. I have enjoyed hearing about the efforts the staff go to ensuring that all pupils have the opportunity to learn in a positive, safe, warm and friendly school environment.

There have been considerable changes to the school over the last few years and whilst these have brought about many changes for the staff and governing board, I believe these changes have been for the better. We recently had a short OFSTED inspection and we were rated as being a 'good' school.

The current Head Teacher is a marvellous example to us all and it is because of her dedication and hard work that we now have a school that Staff, Governors, Pupils and Parents can be proud of.

Nicola Morgan

I started working at Hayes Meadow Primary School in 1998 as an NQT and have had many roles in the school over the last 20 years. I was elected as staff governor in February 2019 and consider my new role to be a privilege and an excellent opportunity to further contribute to the decisions that shape our school and impact positively on pupils and staff. Furthermore, I am able to bring an understanding of the school's ethos, culture and in-depth professional knowledge of our strengths and areas for development. As a key stakeholder, this role enables me to foster a relationship between teachers and governors whilst developing the process of evaluation, improvement and strategic development of the school.

Philippa Gilbert

My name is Philippa Gilbert and I am a teacher at Hayes Meadow Primary School. I have been teaching across the primary phase for over twenty years. I have led many different subject areas during this time as well as being a member of the governing body in my previous school for three years. My current position at Hayes Meadow is leader for curriculum enrichment, KS2 lead, deputy DSL and a member of SLT. I am passionate in ensuring children should have the opportunity to a broad and balanced curriculum both within and outside of the classroom environment. We endeavour to ensure our pupils at Hayes Meadow are provided with as many enriching opportunities as possible in order to help promote our school motto 'Be the best we can be'.

James Connolly

I currently have a daughter in year 3 at Hayes Meadow Primary School. Hayes Meadow is an excellent school and, I believe, has its roots imbedded in the local community. I would love to play a part in maintaining and supporting the great work the school does by joining the board of Governors. Having coached mini junior rugby at Lichfield for the past 8 years I get a huge sense of responsibility and achievement from encouraging the boys to be the best they can be. In addition I work for a media production company who have produced a number of corporate responsibility videos for the YMCA, Sutton Games and the NSPCC, resulting in winning the Chamber of Commerce small business of the year award this year. Along with that I network in the local area so have good connections with local businesses.