

Introduction to Governors

Simon Cooper Chair of Governors

Co-opted Governor and Chair of the Governing Board

At the time of becoming a governor my children were at the school, this was many years ago, the youngest of my children is now high school age.

I have had many roles on the Governing Board at Hethersett Woodside Infant & Nursery School, many years as the chair. Also I am a member of the Staffing, Leadership & Management committee,

William Partner

Co-opted Governor and Vice Chair of the Governing Board

At the time of becoming a governor, both my children were at the school and I wanted to make a positive difference to all the children in the school.

Being part of the strategic leadership team off the school helps reflect the needs of community and be accountable to the area it serves. I am able to bring my professional experience to the team and help support the best outcomes for children.

Wayne Johnson

Co-opted Governor

I have been a governor at Hethersett Woodside Infant & Nursery School for 6 years. I started as a Parent Governor when my eldest child was at the school, and when both my children left the school I became a Co-opted governor.

I became a Governor to give something back to the community and to support the school my eldest son was attending and where my youngest son would attend.

I believe I have a mixture of skills and experience that complement the skills and experience of the existing Governors

Karen Wyatt

Local Authority Governor

My background is over 35 years in education having retired from Infant School Headship in 2013.

I had the pleasure of joining Hethersett Woodside governors in 2014.

My aim is to utilise my skills and knowledge to benefit every child to enable them to reach their full potential working alongside the Headteacher, governors and stakeholders.

My roles on the governing body are currently, the Chair of the Teaching, Learning and Assessment committee, Governor for key Stage 1 and the Governor for Pupil Premium.

I am also a member of the Safeguarding committee and attend full governor meetings.

Kate Gooding

Parent Governor

I became a governor in 2014, not long after my eldest daughter started at Woodside. I believe that children's earliest years at school are absolutely vital if they are to develop a lifelong love of learning and, as a governor, I am keen to do all I can to support the school's continued success.

As a mother of three children, and a communications officer at Norfolk County Council, I have a mix of skills and experience that I believe can benefit the school and its pupils.

Helen Corr

Parent Governor

Hello my name is Helen Corr, I was very excited last year to have been elected a parent governor.

I have 3 children, my eldest is in the local junior school, my daughter is in year 2 at Woodside and my youngest son is in the nursery due to start reception in September.

Apart from my busy life as a mum to 3, I work part time at the NNUH as a cardiac physiologist which is a very interesting specialist role in cardiology. I also enjoy riding my bike and baking.

I am enjoying my role and hope that I can contribute to continuing excellent work of the school.

Lucy Vanhinsbergh

Parent Governor

I have been a parent governor at Woodside for 5 years and have had 3 children pass through the school. My youngest child is now in year 2. I have always felt very lucky that my children attended such a good school. I became a governor because I wanted to gain a better understanding of how the school functions and to offer my help and support at a strategic level. I have a scientific background and am now working in health care.