

SCHOOL STANDARDS BOARD NEWS

A warm welcome and an update from The School Standards Board. The Autumn term has certainly flown by and we have already made a strong start on our busy annual timetable of support and challenge to the leadership team, driving school improvement and the educational experience for all children.

This year, we welcome a new Chair of Governors and have several new members bringing a wealth of fresh experience to our board:



Dan leads a School Sport Partnership which aims to improve the lives of young people through sport and healthy active lifestyles.

"The role of School Governor gives me the opportunity to use my passion and experience to make a positive contribution to BFS and the local community. It is a commitment and a responsibility but it is also very rewarding, and I enjoy working with fellow governors and our school leaders."

Daniel Moody Chair of Governors

Caroline works as a freelance accountant and business systems advisor helping small businesses with streamlining their processes and increasing efficiency. She has second career as a Fitness Instructor and Yoga Teacher which helps to balance out all the accounting spreadsheets!

"Contributing to education and my local community is extremely important to me and being a school governor means I can use my qualifications and skills to support the amazing work the BFS team does to ensure the children have the best education experience and outcome that is possible."



Caroline Amey Vice Chair



Jenny Fulling

Jenny enjoys contributing to the progression and development of the school, whilst also challenging herself to learn something new. She is greatly skilled and experienced with support & challenge - asking those questions that are potentially uncomfortable but necessary to show that things have been well thought through.

"Being a governor is not for everyone; it is a vital and important role but there is a time commitment and a great deal of reading material to give feedback and challenge on. Despite this, there is a great feeling of satisfaction when you can assist the school to flourish. From a parental point of view, being a governor has given me a huge respect for Parent Governor the work of our teachers and support staff and it is also really interesting to understand the strategy behind the direction the school is going in next."

Emma has over 10 years' experience within the charity sector and has for the last year has been working with a local infrastructure charity as their Partnerships Manager. She helps to champion and celebrate the invaluable and important work the voluntary and community sector does to support the communities of Dorset.

"Schools play such an important part of our children's development. It is clear to see BFS has the children at the heart of everything they do and I am excited to be part of it."



Emma Lee
Parent Governor



Martin is a recently retired university lecturer with a background in the hospitality industry. He has many years experience in industry & education both in the UK and further afield.

"I hope to contribute constructively to the BFS SSB by sharing my experience in

education now that I have more time to devote to sharing something from my experiences to community projects such as with BFS."

Martin Senior *exp* Community Governor

Lou is the Head of Quality and a member of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee for a sustainability tech company. He analyses risk and workshops solutions with people from across the company.

"I became a governor to help make the world a better place. I feel like it's my responsibility as a member of this community to use whatever skills I have to try and help move us in that direction."



Lou Robinson
Community Governor



Laura is an experienced solicitor who works in private client law. She brings organisation, communication and analytical skills to the SSB.

"I wanted to become a governor as I have a son in another local primary school so I am keen to learn more about the education of young people. I am passionate about all children receiving a good education.

Laura Edwards Community Governor

James work has a focus on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. He has an indepth understanding and valuable knowledge and experience of current safeguarding policies which are fundamental to the running of the SSB.

"Prior to my current role, I was a teacher and I want to ensure the children in our local area receive the best education possible."



James Ballard
Community Governor