David Bowles - Chair



I am a Senior Educator for Plymouth City Council as well as being a trained school inspector. I have worked in education for over 25 years and have held senior leadership positions in two large secondary schools. I now advise more than 20 schools in the city and oversee the development of newly qualified teachers across Plymouth.

My main interests in education are raising standards, developing the curriculum and continuing professional development for staff within schools

Cat Gifford



My interest in becoming part of the governing body comes from my background of working therapeutically with children and recognising the significant difference between a happy and safe school can make to a child's life. As well as my direct work with children and families, I bring with me experience of working within a variety of schools across the south west. The focus of this work is to help them consider how they can achieve this 'safe place' for children with a range of complex needs. I strongly believe that every child deserves to feel happy, safe and understood within school, to encourage them to be able to reach their own potential. I have got responsibility for monitoring standards across the infant's school, with particular focus on Early Years. I also have responsibility for monitoring safeguarding across both schools.

Anthony (Tony) Greenfield



Having two children at both schools, it has been my pleasure to help as much as I can with the smooth running of the schools and helping to direct the future of the schools. I have past experience in the running of an OFSTED registered special needs school, and have in depth knowledge of IT and Financial Advice; which I hope would be of use to the schools governance.

Mrs Elizabeth (Liz) Hill



As Head Teacher of the Infant School I am proud to serve on the federated governing body. I have been teaching for 35 years and Head Teacher for 15 of those. I am in a privileged position to ensure that children in my care receive the highest quality of education within a safe and caring environment. Every child matter and I work hard with my team of staff, the parents and our governors to ensure that being at the Infant School is a rewarding, happy experience for all the children where they can all thrive as learners and individuals.

Tina Jackson



Federation is a wonderful opportunity to develop the working relationship between our two schools, building on our strengths to create a shared culture in a positive and supportive climate. Prior to joining Hyde Park Junior School as Head Teacher in APRIL 2015, I had been Head of Infant, Junior and Primary schools so know how important it is to ensure continuity and progression for all pupils. I look forward to working together with the Governing Body and our school communities to ensure that all our children enjoy the positive, challenging experience of school that every child deserves.

Zoe Masters



I'm a primary school teacher by profession but am currently working as an Education Consultant for Plymouth Local Authority (LA) supporting the education needs of children in care.

I have two teenage children who both attended Hyde Park Infant and Junior School and during this time I served as a Parent Governor on the Junior Governing Body. I am also an ex-pupil myself!

I therefore welcome the challenge to support the federated Infant and Junior School and am delighted to be representing the Local Authority on the Governing Body.

Hannah McNamee



I am a staff member of the Junior School and I am a fairly newly appointed staff governor. I am really excited about this opportunity and I am looking forward to supporting the federated governing board, particularly in the areas I feel passionate about in school, which include SEND, educational visits and assessing pupil progress.

Glyn Price



Newly appointed to the Board of Governors in March 17, I have a long term vested interest in the success of both schools; being the parent of a child about to transition between Infant and Juniors (Sept 17), with another not due to join Early Years until Sept 2018. I am passionate about supporting both schools to ensure that every one of our children enjoy a positive, challenging experience and above all maximise their potential. I have held a senior leadership role within a large utility company for the last 20 years, which has hopefully afforded me skills that can be exploited to the benefit of the Hyde Park Federation.

Denise Razey



I am a staff member of the infant school and I have been a governor for 10 years before becoming a member of the federated governing board in April 2015. I am looking forward to supporting the federated governing board, particularly in the areas I have responsibility in school, which include SEND, maths and assessing pupil progress.

Dominic Ring



I recently joined the board of governors as a co-opted governor, having seen my daughter leave Hyde Park last year for secondary school, and with my son currently in Year 5. We moved from London to Plymouth 4 years ago and were pleased to place our children at Hyde Park where they were quickly made to feel welcome. I work as a solicitor for a southwest and London law firm, where I have been for the last 5 years. Prior to this I worked for the Press Association in a couple of roles. I wanted to become a governor to assist the school at this important and developing time, and as one of the governors responsible for the Finance and English, I hope to provide some valuable input in respect of these important areas. Outside of work, we appreciate spending time on the beaches and surrounding areas that we left London to enjoy.

Matias Shortcook



Matias leads Pre Degree provision at Plymouth College of Art, a specialist independent art school founded in 1856. He has commitment to the development of innovative and challenging educational programmes that recognise the power of creative enquiry as a transformative tool. Leading the direction of Plymouth College of Art's Pre Degree curriculum, Matias is passionate about creative education that links with industry and mirrors dynamic, real-world settings, equipping modern students with the skills necessary to succeed in life.

Lynn Smith



After forty three years in education, I retired, after fifteen years, as the Head teacher of a Plymouth Primary school, with Nursery, in 2009. Since then, I have been a Chair of Governors in Plymouth; a role I have really enjoyed as it keeps me involved with my love of teaching and working for children. I have been involved with Hyde Park Federation, as acting Vice Chair, since February 2017 and have felt very privileged to work with both schools, providing support to ensure a high standard of education and opportunities for all pupils. Now I work part time for the University of St Mark and St John with Initial Teacher Training, which is a wonderful way to complement my teaching career. I am the Chair of a local Plymouth Charity which provides financial support to families and to organisations which facilitate a huge range of activities across the city. I have four grown up children and six grandchildren, who keep me on my toes and up to date with the current trends and interests

of young people. My husband and I love walking on the moors with our retrievers. My hobbies are cooking, sewing, reading, music and travel.