

Welcome to the Governors Page

School governors have three main roles:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school, pupils and performance management of the staff.
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school & making sure its money is well spent.

At Furlanesend, we work closely with the head teacher and staff to ensure that the school is the best that it can possibly be. We believe in the school's values of confidence, enthusiasm for learning, honesty, kindness and respect and responsibility. We also hold dear our British Values such as tolerance, democracy, individual liberty and rule of law.

Governors are volunteers who also work under the principles of public life, these are selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership. We endeavour to uphold all of these values in all that we do.

It is sometimes a bit of mystery what governors actually do so at our school we strive to be as open and transparent as possible. We want the whole community to know the school so that we can work together to ensure that our children have the best possible learning experience.

In order to achieve this transparency please read the following documents that show how governors at Furlanesend challenge and support the school.

Governors can be contacted through the school office.

Please also find on this website:

Governors terms, committee membership and roles table

Governors Code of Conduct

Governors visits policy

Governor monitoring plan

Governor monitoring visit reports

Governor expenses policy

Governor skills matrix

Head teachers reports

Minutes from full governing body meetings

Minutes from committee meetings

Survey results

Review of governance

Governor impact statement

Our Governors are:

Helen Marks

I am a parent at the school and work as a manager in Banking. I have been a governor for a number of years and enjoy offering my support and financial expertise to the school. I also have a keen interest in developing the sporting side of Furlanesend and enjoy working in this role.

Becky Ginger

I live in Millbrook with my husband, 2 daughters and 1 dog...I have a keen interest in the education of our young people am really interested in schools and teaching. I have recently trained to be a teaching assistant.

Richard Wilde

I am a member of teaching staff at Furlanesend, currently working with years 3 and 4. Being a governor allows me to support Furlanesend children, parents and staff in a strategic capacity, working and contributing towards the school's development.

Simon King

I work in the commercial Bank for Lloyds Banking Group. I live locally with my wife and 3 daughters, 2 of which are twins. I am committed to adding value to the school and have a vested interest in ensuring that children are having the best education possible.

Adrian Battley

I am new to governance and following my induction am looking forward to supporting and challenging the school to continue to provide a high quality of education. I had a long career in the forces and this has equipped me well to process information and ask key questions. I know the school well as I come in to listen to reading on a regular basis.

Vanessa Burton

I am the most recent addition to the governing body and am a parent elected governor. I am a teaching in a secondary school in Plymouth and I teach science. I am new to governance and am looking forward to undertaking the role of pupil premium governor.

Caroline Stone – Clerk to governors