



Southwood Infant School

Meet the Governors

Hannah Stiff

I am a co-opted governor and I have been on the governing body since November 2016, and became Chair of Governors in April 2021. I have two children of my own, the youngest of which left Southwood Infant School in July 2022. I have been a teacher of children with specific learning difficulties for seventeen years, and it is exciting to see, and be a part of the other side of the way schools are run and maintained. I chose to become part of the governing body so I could support the local community, and support the school in its development. With a strong and inspiring management team, I am excited to see how the school grows and progresses over the coming years. With a background in safeguarding, I support the Headteacher and the school to ensure full compliance in all of their policies, practices and procedures.



Nina Lynch

I have been a governor at Southwood for almost ten years. I was elected as a parent Governor when my son started in Reception and continued when my daughter joined the school 3 years later. I have since moved to be a co-opted governor as my children have grown up and moved to other schools. I am very proud to have been part of the journey I have been on with the school and all its recent achievements. Southwood has strong leadership, with inspiring ambitions in pursuit of our aims, excellence, respect and enjoyment, as a governor I am very proud to be part of that. I have gained an enormous amount of experience in a wide range of areas, having been a member of all the committees, and I am looking forward to continuing to share that experience with new members of our governing body and to further my knowledge as we move forward on our shared journey.



Jacqui Jennings

My name is Jacqui Jennings. I am a co-opted governor and member of the Curriculum and Standards Committee and the Resources Committee. I am a retired infant Headteacher with a twenty-five year career in teaching in good and outstanding schools. I became a governor at Southwood in 2018 and wholeheartedly support the vision and warm and caring ethos of the school. I am passionate about enabling children to become well-rounded, enthusiastic learners and believe strongly in their capacity to achieve well, no matter what their background or prior experience. I know just how dedicated the Southwood staff and governors, along with FSIS, are to achieving the very best for all of the children and feel privileged to be making a contribution as a school governor. I aim to use my prior experience to offer support and strategic challenge and will continue to work enthusiastically in partnership with all stakeholders as a member of the Southwood Infant School governing body.





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Mim Cure

I have been a Parent Governor at Southwood for four years now and have worked closely with the governing body to support the provision at the school. I am thoroughly supportive of the school and am amazed by the high standards that they maintain despite the challenges of recent years. I have been a secondary school English teacher for over 20 years and have lots of experience working with parents and pupils, as well as other teachers so I understand first-hand how valuable the backing of a strong governance is to a school. I am proud to be a governor at Southwood Infants School and agree with our recent Ofsted Inspection "This is the type of school that any child would want to come to".



David Bowers

My daughter joined Southwood Infant School in September 2018 and my son spent three years at the school between 2008 and 2011. Both of my children love the school, in fact my daughter is now being taught by the same fantastic teacher my son still calls his best ever teacher. Having two children who have benefitted incredibly from this wonderful school and its excellent staff inspired me to volunteer and to become a part of the Governing Body in July 2019. I am a co-opted governor and will be sitting on the Resources and Personnel committee.



Jenny Butterworth

I have recently (summer 2021) been appointed to the governing body. I have spent most of my career working in primary schools as a teacher and as a headteacher. I took early retirement and moved to Suffolk where I served as a governor of both primary and secondary schools for many years. I am now pleased to have the opportunity to volunteer as a governor at Southwood Infants having moved back to Hampshire to be near my family. I love spending time with my grandchildren sharing in all their games, activities, ideas and aspirations. I will enjoy getting to know the children, staff and families here at Southwood and helping to provide the very best education our children deserve.

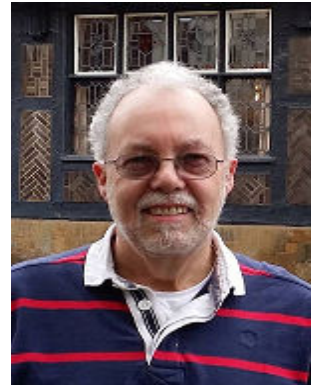




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Peter Bassett

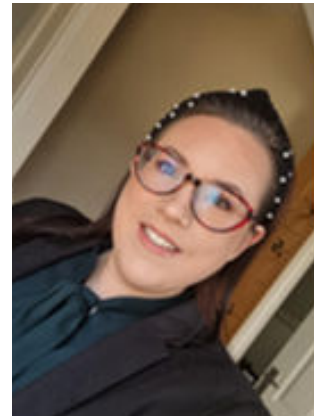
I joined Southwood Infants in October 2021 as a Local Authority Governor. I have a long connection with the school as my two Grandsons attended from 2013. They did well at the school and we and their parents (my daughter and her husband) were very happy with their progress and help provided. Interestingly my Daughter-In-Law also attended the school in the early 90s and she hopes to send their son next year. I have been and still am an active Governor at a local Junior school from 2018 and have worked in various committees including finance and curriculum. Since retiring I have become involved in various voluntary activities including Citizens Advice and working on the Watercress line. One of the activities there has been helping with the school education programme with the visits to teach history topics including war time evacuation etc. and the many other rail related topics.



Sinead Daly

I am excited to have joined the team at Southwood Infants as a parent governor. My son started at Southwood in 2022 and so I have a significant interest in the continued excellence and improvement of the school. In the short time we have been part of the Southwood community, I have been inspired by the hard work that goes in to providing the supportive and nurturing environment and wanted to contribute.

I have worked in training for over 12 years and am a National Account Manager, supporting large employers to develop their leadership teams through education and training. My role is about empowering adult learners to acquire new skills and knowledge to fully enhance the future workforce of the employers I work with. I am looking forward to using my skills and experience to support the team at Southwood and I truly value the opportunity to play a role in helping the school provide a great education for our children.



Tim Hill

I joined the governing body in late 2022 having been introduced to Southwood Infant School with my daughter in 2019. Southwood Infants has a heart and soul that is all consuming; the amazing staff, pupils, families, and wider community, both past and present, have created a truly amazing atmosphere for learning for our children. I come from a leadership and strategic management background with a career in Defence over the last 20 years. I have been appointed as the Staff link governor and sit on the Resources and Personnel Committee. As a governor, I wish to help and support the school's future potential by applying my skillsets to the benefits of the school whilst continuing the successful history and its legacy.





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Rev Anne Richardson

I'm joining Southwood Infant School Governing Body as a parent governor. I'm also an Associate Rector in the Parish of Cove which includes Christ Church (formerly Southwood and St Christopher's) and St John's Church. It has been a joy to welcome Southwood Infant School pupils to the Church on various occasions. I'm joining the governors as I've been so grateful for the welcome, care and support my daughter has received here and think it is a very special school. I am passionate about the school's core values of excellence, respect and enjoyment and want to support the amazing staff to continue to live out these values for the benefit of each pupil.

