



THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL
OF ST. SAVIOUR AND ST. MARY OVERIE

Governing Body
2021-22

Governance at Cathedral School

Cathedral Primary School has an active governing body. They provide strategic governance to ensure that all children get the best possible education. The governing body meets as a whole group each term and delegates its business to a range of committees, where appropriate. The governing body has an important part to play in raising school standards through its three key roles:

- setting strategic direction
- ensuring accountability
- monitoring and evaluating school performance.

We have responsibility together with leadership team for agreeing the policies for the general running of the school. Our role is crucial:

- We fulfil statutory duties to ensure that the school is a safe, healthy and an inclusive environment
- We provide support and challenge to the leadership team of the school on all issues that affect the learning and welfare of our pupils

How does the Governing Body work ?

The governing body works by collective decision-making and shared power, not personal power and responsibility. It is the full governing body which has legal duties and powers and all governors share in that corporate responsibility. Governors do not represent the individual interests of parents, staff or any particular group within the school or wider community. It delegates day-to-day management of the school to the Headteacher.

The full governing body meets once a term but most of our work is delegated to two committees:

- Resources
- Teaching, Attainment and Progress

All governors are members of the full governing body and sit on one or both of the committees (usually 5/6 governors per committee). Selection for the committees is based on interest and skills.



Governor Profiles



Janet Simpson, Chair of Governors

My name is Janet Simpson and I became a Governor in 2011. I am a Solicitor, now working as the Professional Support lawyer in the employment department of a city law firm. I am interested in walking, reading and tennis. I am lucky enough to have been the year governor for the same group of children and have seen them through from nursery and hope to be with them until year six.



Canon Michael Rawson, Vice Chair

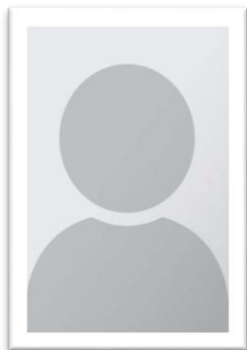
I am Sub Dean and Canon Pastor at Southwark Cathedral and Minister in Charge of St Hugh's Church, Bermondsey since December 2014. I joined the governing body in January 2015 and have ten years' experience as a governor in West Yorkshire. I have responsibility for developing and strengthening the links between school and the cathedral and lead Thursday assemblies together with other members of the clergy team. I am very proud to be part of Cathedral School.



Kehinde Lipede

I have been Foundation Governor at the Cathedral School for a number of years. I stepped into this role following the wonderful education and pastoral support my children received at the school. The home, school partnership working afforded my children and Cathedral School children to achieve the very best they can and live life in its fullness. As a Social Care Professional, my School Governor responsibilities have been around Safeguarding, promoting diversity and with focus on underachieving children. I am passionate about children accessing extra-curricular activities in complementing formal education and Cathedral School continues to offer these to children.

Being a Foundation Governor is a privilege and honour that I take pride in as I strongly believe in children and their families being adequately and appropriately supported to achieve their potentials



Tomi Ogunjobi

I became a governor at Cathedral School in November 2014. My children attended Cathedral school and one of them is currently in her final year as a member of the Cathedral Girls' Choir. I am a Project Manager by profession, specialising in Business, IT and Information Systems. I am presently a member of the Mothers' Union and Church warden at St Hugh, Bermondsey, a local parish church which sits under the Cathedral Parish. I have a strong interest in Music, Theatre, Arts and travelling.

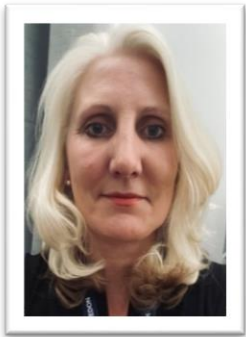


Alison Finch

My name is Alison Finch and I became a Parent Governor in 2019. My husband and I run a well-being charity delivering Livewell and NHS Primary Healthcare Centres.

My interests include tennis, sailing, music and theatre. I give my time to the school as a volunteer reader and a parent volunteer for school trips. I also support the Friends of Cathedral School and their work to raise money for special projects.

I enjoy being the Foundation Stage lead Governor and working with the headteacher and senior leadership team to drive the strategic development of Cathedral school and raise standards of achievement.



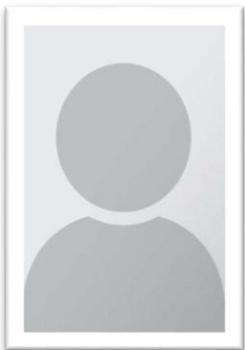
James Black

I was delighted to join the governing body in January 2020, still in the midst of the pandemic! My professional background is in investment banking but have both an undergraduate and master's degree in musicology. I am still a keen singer and sing in professional church choirs and will be getting married in the diocese next year. I am also currently studying for an MBA at Chicago Booth. I am also most looking forward to finally meeting my fellow governors in person!



Jolanta McCall

Jolanta's profile is being updated.



Jill Tilley

I have been school Governor for 26 years; I have gained experience working with different teams of governors in a variety of situations. I am a member of Chapter at Southwark Cathedral. I have been a regular member of the congregation at Southwark Cathedral for 20 years and have become involved in local projects during that time. Before my retirement, I was involved in Primary Education for 40 years, as a teacher and latterly as a headteacher. I continue to be interested in the development of children's learning and I feel that my previous experience contributes to the school's aims and values





Canon Andrew Zihni

I have been Precentor of Southwark Cathedral since January 2021. My background is Chinese/Thai and Middle Eastern, and spent most of my childhood and early teenage years in the Far East. I subsequently moved to the UK with my family and studied at Eton College and the University of Oxford before training for ordination at St Stephen's House in Oxford. I served my curacy in a former mining town in the Diocese of Sheffield before moving to St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, as Minor Canon and School Chaplain. From 2014 to 2021, I was Assistant Director of Vocations in the Diocese of Southwark, working with candidates exploring a call to lay and ordained ministries in the Diocese. I was also a Priest Vicar of Westminster Abbey during this time. I am a keen musician and singer. I also enjoy cookery, reading contemporary fiction, and Jack Russell terriers.



Marta Garcia

Marta's profile is being updated.

Staff Governors

The headteacher, a member of the teaching staff and a member of the support staff also serve on the Governing Body. Currently these members of staff are Filiz Scott (Headteacher), Lauren Campbell and Tamara Copeland.