

Jeremy Hooper - Chair of Governing Board



I was asked to be a Foundation Governor in 2016 having served as a parent governor from 2012. In 2013 I became Chair of the Staffing and Finance Committee. In 2014 I was elected as Chair of the Governing Board. I wanted to become involved in the Governing Body of St. Philip's as it is a great opportunity to be involved in the development of our children but also to ensure that the school is working with all children to help them achieve their full potential. As Chair I enjoy the opportunity to work with Governors, the Church and others to ensure the children don't just learn the basics but are ready for the challenges they will face in High School and beyond.

I currently work in Local Government for a public health team looking at the analysis of data. I have worked around the NHS and local government for many years and it is clear from my work that the education of our children is the key to improving health and life outcomes for future generations.

Jennifer Glover - LEA Governor



I am Jennifer Glover (nee Filson) and I am the Local Authority Governor. I studied Mathematics at Sheffield University and completed a PGCE in Secondary Education at Edge Hill University. I have worked at Meols Cop High School (now part of Southport Learning Trust) since 2010 as a maths teacher, Subject Leader for maths and also an SLE (Specialist Leader in Education). My current role as Assistant headteacher I have held since 2019 where I am in charge of Assessment and Data. During my time at Meols Cop I have contributed as elected staff governor.

I have always lived in Southport and am passionate about our community and local area. I am a proud mum of two sons that attend local a local primary school and nursey.

My passion for education comes from the belief that we can all achieve and I take great joy in sharing the love of my subject in the classroom. It is a privilege to work closely with the St Philips team and create links with other local schools that will continue to put the child at the heart of all that we want to achieve.

Julie Lincoln



Hello! I have been a Foundation Governor, since 2018, having been appointed through the church. I am the link Governor to the current Y4 class and for PHSCE and SEND. I have been a teacher for over twenty years and for the last ten, I have taught children with a diagnosis of Autism in a specialist provision in a school in Bootle. I am married to Richard and we have three children and two grandchildren. Our youngest, Oliver is currently in Y6 at St. Philips and has had a very happy journey through the school. It is a pleasure and a privilege to be on the Governing body at St Philips.

Abigail Loxham



I was elected parent governor in 2020, I have two children at St Philips, Isaac and Dora. We returned to Southport in 2015 after 5 years in Brisbane, Australia and prior to that I have lived and worked in Cambridge and Hull. I have a PhD in Spanish film and am a senior lecturer in Hispanic Film Studies at the University of Liverpool. I am committed to diversity and equality of opportunity in education and have done lots of work on widening participation in Higher Education. I am committed to serving our school, its staff and children and to see those children continue to thrive.

Sebastian Brix



I am originally from the south and lived in London for 20 years.

I moved to Southport with my wife not long after our daughter was born. I have a degree in Geology and Geography and worked in the world of corporate IT security for 20 years.

I like gardening, cooking, making my own beer, photography and I am passionate about the environment.

As a parent of a child at the school and a member of the Church family, I am keen to be more involved with the life of the school and of its wider community. I see school as an opportunity to engage pupils in the joys of learning and encourage them to learn beyond what is required of them and for each child to achieve their full potential.

Margaret Moore

Hello! I'm Margaret, and I became a governor in 2021. I worked as a neuro-physiotherapist for many years, and also as a disability specialist with the Court and Tribunal service until retiring in 2021

I have been involved with Girls' Brigade for many years; am the Children's and Young People's co-ordinator at PPW and am part of the Trekkerz (Sunday School) team.

For several years I have helped with reading in years 5 and 6 at St Philip's, and am currently Prayer Buddy and link governor for the Reception class. You could say I have a heart for children! To level things up, I also am a volunteer advocate with Sefton Advocacy, working mainly with adults with learning disabilities.

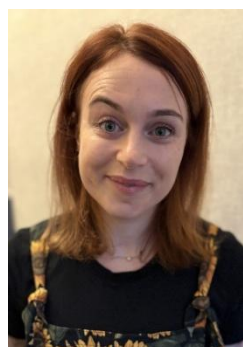
I am keen to see even greater church/school links so that we can better support our children and their families in their faith and lives, and that we can explore our faith and learn together

Georgina Elders



My name is Georgina Elders, and I am a parent governor elected in 2023. I have two children, the eldest of whom joined St. Philip's in 2023. My family home has been in the parish for over twenty years, and after six years in Dublin and another six in London, I returned to Southport with my family in 2021. I attended school in Crosby and studied Law and English at Newcastle University. Since then, I have spent the past 19 years specialising in digital marketing and corporate strategy, working for multinational corporations across various sectors. I believe a high-quality primary education is fundamental to our children's futures. Committed to serving our school, I look forward to supporting the staff and pupils in maintaining a learning environment where every child is encouraged to reach their full potential.

Christine Swash



I am a newly appointed Foundation Governor and was delighted to be approached to take on this role. I have lived in Southport all my life and have a meaningful connection to St Philip's, having once been a pupil here myself. It feels very special to see my two boys, Freddie and George, enjoying their time at the school. As a family, we really value the welcoming community of the St Philip's church family.

In my professional life, I work as a Back Office Support Manager for a financial adviser's firm. I look forward to bringing the organisational and problem-solving skills from this role with me as I learn what being a governor involves and use them to support the school, its staff, and most importantly, the children.

Pippa Houghton



I am delighted to take up the role of Teacher Governor from September 2025. I currently teach Reception which is both rewarding and challenging. I am passionate about early years education and want children entering school for the first time to be excited, feel safe and ready to embrace school life. I joined St Philips in 2023 and enjoy being part of a great team who are committed to taking the children on a journey to make the best of themselves, be confident, willing to challenge themselves and to prepare for life in secondary school.

I live locally and went to school in Crosby and Scarisbrick and attended Edgehill University, where I gained my teaching degree in 2021. My passion for teaching is partly due to my own early years school experience. I loved school and I am dedicated to helping all children progress and stretch themselves so they have a "can do" attitude to life.

I spent my first two years in teaching on a supply basis in schools of varying sizes within Sefton and this exposed me to lots of different teaching styles. I enjoy working with students who bring a wealth of socio-economic and cultural backgrounds to the classroom and at St Philips we are keen to celebrate different cultures and traditions. I have high expectations for behaviour in my classroom and promote a culture of fairness, want children to learn in a fun and positively challenging environment that stimulates and helps them to reach their full potential. Considering the wider school community, I also enjoy getting involved in coaching and leading extra-curricular activities and sports.

Outside of the classroom, I am a committed dog parent (Winnie the Dachshund!) and enjoy the gym and horse riding in my spare time.