



# Governor Profiles



# CO-CHAIR OF GOVERNORS: JULIA ELLIS-HALL

I have been a Co-Opted Governor since September 2013. Having been Vice Chair, working closely with the Chair, I became the Co-Chair of Governors in January 2021.

I started to become involved in Howe Dell School when as a Childminder I began to collect children from the school 13 years ago. It is with my 30 years of Childminding experience that I represent the Governing Board as a Foundation Stage Governor. I also fulfil Governor Roles on the Day Care Committee, and as Governor with responsibility for Child Protection, Anti-bullying, Safeguarding and for Children Looked After. I am also the Link Governor for Music.

I love to be able to spend time with my family and friends, and enjoy watching musical theatre productions. I am also involved working backstage for local societies. I am a fully participating member of the Howe Dell School Community, and strive to support the School where possible.



# CO-CHAIR OF GOVERNORS: KATIE FOX

I've been a Parent Governor since February 2021 and Co-Chair of Governors as of September 2022.

I am a member of the Day Care Committee and Link Governor for PSHE and SMSC, Inclusion and AG&T.

My twins are in Year 2 at Howe Dell. Since they started nursery in 2019, I have enjoyed supporting the PSA with the amazing calendar of events and activities they plan for the Howe Dell family each year.

I am passionate about providing a happy and secure environment for all children to grow up in, and believe in the importance of looking after mental health and wellbeing from a young age.

I have worked as a PR Director for over 15 years. Specialising in lifestyle and children's brands, I have experience with managing large scale events, budgets and strategic decision making.

My family is everything to me - I left my role within an agency and started to freelance when my twins were 3, as I wanted to be around more for them. It was the best decision; as well as being around more for my family, it has given me more time for commitments such as joining the Governing Board.

Behind the scenes, I enjoy spending quality time with family and friends, be it fun days out or cozy days in. As a family we love the outdoors, we're always listening and dancing around to music, and we're a family of foodies!



# HEADTEACHER: TRACY PRICKETT

As the Executive Head teacher, it is essential that I provide the Governing Board with the relevant information to enable them to effectively undertake their statutory roles.

I have lived in Hertfordshire all my life and I commenced my teaching career in 1998. During my teaching and leadership career, I have had the opportunity to work with and for some inspiring leaders who have enabled me to shape my own leadership.

I have spent the last eighteen years at The Reddings Primary and Nursery School in Hemel Hempstead. I started in 2003 as a class-based Deputy Head and I joined the Governing Board. In January 2006 I became the Head Teacher. Many significant life events occurred during this time, I became a wife and a mother. My eldest son is at secondary school and then there are my twins!

My Head teacher role has been varied. I have led a plethora of subjects over the years, I am a Hertfordshire STEPs tutor (therapeutic approach to behaviour) the Designated Safeguarding Lead and Asbestos permission to work authorising officer.

I am the Chair of Primary Heads Forum which includes being a member of Schools' Forum (where all the financial decisions are agreed for the Local Authority) and I am the Head Teacher representative on the Hertfordshire Safeguarding Partnership.

I have also had the opportunity to be a member of a primary and secondary school Governing Board. My roles have included Chair of Resources Committee and Safeguarding Governor. Learning how other settings work has enabled me to refine my working practices.

Children are at the core of everything that I do. I passionately believe children should be provided with the tools they need to 'be the best they can be'. As I commence my role at Howe Dell, I want to foster that curiosity of learning creating independent, resilient life-long learners.

In my spare time, I love to 'Clubbercise' - what better way to fuse together my two favourite activities of music and dancing?



# KASHIFA SALEY

I joined the Full Governing Board in November 2019.

I am a member of the Premises, Health and Safety Committee, Link Governor for PE and Parent Voice Member.

I have three children who have been a part of the Howe Dell family from the Baby Room in Day Care all the way through to Year 6. It's been amazing to see them grow and develop as they progressed through each year.

I previously served a term on the FGB as a parent governor and now welcome the opportunity to serve as a Community Governor.

Being a Governor brings with it opportunities to get involved, support the school and all the staff and really make a difference especially for the children, to make the school the best it can possibly be.

I work in IT for a Global Retail organisation. In my spare time, I love baking and spending time with family and friends, enjoying good food.



# AMY JEFFERIES

Hi my name is Amy Jefferies, parent Governor and have been a part of the Howe Dell Family for 11 years! I am part of the the Day Care Committee.

I have 4 children 2 that have gone all through Howe Dell and two that are still in the school.

I am passionate about supporting the school and in my spare time I love reading and swimming.

I also run the local Slimming World group in Hatfield and support a team of consultants as the team manager for St Albans & Hatfield.

