

Meet the Governors



Keith Coleman (Chair): Parent Governor

I currently have two children attending Dormansland School, I'm passionate about children reaching their full potential, starting with their journey through primary education. I want to ensure that the school maintains its good standard and challenges itself to deliver for the community it serves.

In my current role I work across several local and central government departments/agencies setting strategic direction and working with my teams to deliver change across multiple programs. I'm aware of the financial pressure schools face and the vision the council has for residents.



Alex Sweetlove (Vice Chair): Co-opted Governor

I have been a qualified English teacher since 1998; previously to that I worked for BBC Westminster on their political news programmes. Since 2009, I have worked at Lingfield College as the Head of English. I have two children who have been through Lingfield College since Nursery and one is heading off to university soon.

From my role as ECT Coordinator at Lingfield College, I have decided to move into coaching and mentoring and will be taking a qualification at Roehampton University. I have lived in Lingfield since 2005 and enjoy being part of the community of Lingfield and Dormansland. I have a passion for teaching and learning, the curriculum and for supporting the education sector. From this standpoint, I am very excited about becoming a governor at Dormansland Primary. When I'm not teaching, I love to spend time with my black Labrador, Dino, running and yoga.



Jenny Ashley: LA Governor

I have recently retired from the role of Headteacher at an outstanding Surrey primary school. After ten very happy years leading my school and a lifetime career in education, I am eager to continue using my experiences to support a local school. I am passionate about child psychology and the effects of nurture in the early years and have studied this area of education in depth. I, like Dormansland School, believe that learning should put a sparkle in a child's eyes.

My husband and I have recently moved to Marsh Green and are busily settling into our new home and community with occasional escapes to visit our much-loved children and grandchildren in France and Germany.



Hayley Cooke: Staff Governor

I am delighted to have been appointed staff governor enabling me to support both children and staff at the school. I strongly believe in our school ethos; inspire, nurture, challenge and feel that my experience as a class teacher, as well as my previous leadership and governance experience at my previous school, will contribute to the school development and growth moving forward.



Efsio Gigliotti: Co-opted Governor

I am a Business Advisor specialising in Operational Research with over 10 years international experience in engineering firms. In my current role I help small and medium companies in the manufacturing and public sector to reduce waste of activities within their processes and for the environment. In my spare time I enjoy cycling and hiking in the outstanding natural beauty of the local area. As a governor I would like to help children discover and pursue their own passions and talent, in particular those interested in the STEM subjects. This is independent from their social background or the life of their ancestors. As an agnostic I strongly believe that education as the best way to improve social mobility and moral values.

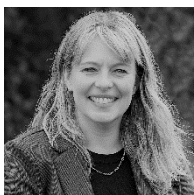


Marie Langer: Co-opted Governor

I bring a wealth of experience from working for the Civil Aviation Authority responsible for performance based regulatory oversight of approved organisations and teaching at Cranfield University.

My motivation to get involved in school governance is my passion for teaching and learning. As a qualified teacher, I understand the responsibilities of the teaching profession and the opportunities to improve the prospects of future generations of children. My professional experience will enable me to support and challenge the school for the benefit of all staff and children. I am passionate about inclusivity, diversity and equal opportunities for all. In my spare time, I enjoy roaming the countryside with my dog and sports such as tennis, yoga and swimming.

During my professional career my motto has been always the Latin proverb from the consul and censor of the Roman Republic, A.C. Caecus, “Quisque Suae Faber Fortunae Est”, this literally means “Each man/woman is the artisan of his/her own fortune”.



Helen Roe: Co-opted Governor

I am passionate about teaching and dedicated to enriching children's learning and providing them with the very best opportunities. During my 20-year teaching career, I have been privileged enough to teach at each key stage from Early Years through to A-Level in several different settings. I am a trained musician (I play the flute and play in Croydon Symphonic Wind band) and was Director of Music for 10 years in secondary schools but now I am head of years 5 and 6 at Lingfield College Prep School. I enjoy reading, exercising and musical theatre and I'm really looking forward to getting to know the staff, pupils and parents of Dormansland Primary School.