



## **PEN PICTURES FOR THE GOVERNORS AT WENNINGTON HALL SCHOOL**

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### **Mr M Peart**

Position: Headteacher

Committees: Full Governors Committee  
Resources Committee  
Standards & Effectiveness Committee  
Pay Committee

Date Appointed: 1 January 2019

Qualifications: BEd Hons in Secondary Education

Experience:

- I have worked in both the Local Authority maintained and independent sector with young people with a variety of needs for over twenty years.
- Extensive background in ASC, and SEMH
- Previous to Headship, I was a teacher of PE and Outdoor education.
- Extensive delivery and training in Team Teach for both education and care sector.
- Thrive practitioner.

Skills/Interests:

I have been committed to working with young people for over 25 years, finding ways to ensure both academic and social and emotional development through evidence based approaches. Living on the edge of the Dales and Lake District allows me to spend time in the outdoors with my family and be a member of the local mountain rescue team.

My love for the outdoors has shaped my view about the breadth of opportunities, which we must make sure, are available to all young people at Wennington Hall School.



## **MRS L BRENNAN**

Position: Chair/Parent Governor

Profession: Teacher

Committees: Full Governors Committee  
Resources Committee  
Standards & Effectiveness Committee  
Pay Committee  
Complaints/Grievance/Discipline/Attendance Committee

Date Appointed: 2 June 2015

Experience:

- Teacher for 20 years
- 20 years' experience in education
- Extensive experience of Special Educational Needs and Educational Needs and English Language
- Trainer and Language consultant
- Examiner for British Council, UN and British School
- Volunteer teacher of refugees in Rome
- Recruitment and Education consultant

Skills/Interests:

I am fully committed to working towards achieving the best outcomes and ethos for all pupils in school, both residential and day students. I am fortunate to be able to bring to my role on the governing body not only my professional expertise in education but also my personal skills and experiences as a parent of a child with complex additional needs. It is my aim to continue to develop the caring and nurturing environment created for pupils at Wennington while ensuring that they are equipped with the social, educational and vocational skills to thrive both in school and in the future.



## **MR C TOMLINSON**

Position: Co-opted Governor/Link Governor

Profession: Assistant Headteacher

Committees: Full Governors Committee  
Resources Committee

Date Appointed: November 2012

Experience:

- Teaching for over 30 years
- Taught both in the UK and Australia
- Taught both Mainstream and Special
- Worked in Local Authority Schools and the Private Sector
- Held a number of posts including Headship

Skills/Interests:

I have been teaching for over 30 years in a variety of locations. I believe I have good interpersonal and communication skills together with an extensive knowledge of organisational and management systems. I have many interests outside of school including travel, keeping fit, and most sports with a particular interest in rugby.



## **MR G DODDS**

Position: Staff Governor

Profession: Teacher

Committees: Full Governors Committee  
Standards & Effectiveness Committee

Date Appointed: 22 November 2016

Experience:

- RESW at Wennington Hall School for approximately 7 years
- BA Hons Degree Sport Coaching and Development
- NVQ Level 3 Child Care
- Btec Higher National Diploma in Sports Coaching
- Level 1 & 2 Cricket Coach
- FA Coaching Certificate
- Level 1 & 2 Mountain Bike Leader
- Level 2 Generic Cycling
- Level 2 BMX Coach
- Level 1 LTA Tennis Coach

Skills/Interests

During my time at Ridgeway Park Children's Services, I was asked to take on the role as Head of PE and Outdoor Education gaining several sporting qualifications and relevant training. My love of all sports Swimming, Kayaking, Basketball, Tennis, Skiing Football and Mountain Biking keep me very busy during my leisure time and this has now helped me with my new role in school as Sports Development Officer.



## **MR NEIL SMITH**

Position: Co-opted Governor

Profession: Financial Services Manager LCC

Committees: Full Governors Committee  
Resources Committee  
Standards & Effectiveness Committee  
Pay Committee  
Complaints/Grievance/Discipline/Attendance Committee

Date Appointed: 26 April 2017

Experience:

- Over 30 years working in finance
- Over 25 years working in school finance
- Experience in all phase of school
- Leading the Authority Schools Financial Services Team
- Delivering county wide finance training for school leaders

Skills/Interests

My career has given me the opportunity to work in many schools advising and supporting school leaders and governors in managing the school budget. This experience has given me a variety of skills in order to overcome financial challenges. Outside work, my interests include playing the guitar, reading and making bread.



## **MR N WOODCOCK**

Position: Co-opted Governor

Profession: Engineer & Run Property Management and Retail Business

Committees: Full Governors Committee  
Resources Committee  
Standards & Effectiveness Committee  
Pay Committee  
Complaints/Grievance/Discipline/Attendance Committee

Date Appointed: 4 December 2017

Experience:

- B.Eng. Manufacturing Engineering
- MSc. (Eng.) Work Design & Ergonomics
- C. Eng. Chartered Engineer - IET
- 20 Years Industrial Experience
- Roles in Manufacturing, Production Engineering, Capital Project Management & Purchasing with multinational company in several countries
- Currently developing own local property business

Skills/Interests

I have moved from the international corporate environment to concentrate on own business around Preston. This has given me time to be a Parish Councillor, the Chair of Governors at my local Primary School, as well as a Governor at Wennington Hall I have enjoyed the challenge of school governance and felt my experience in property maintenance, finance, procurement and health & safety will help the governing body. Hobbies include Taekwondo at which I also help teach and motoring. I am also a volunteer at a local IAM-Roadsmart branch and offer advanced driving instruction.



## **MR S DELLOW**

Position: Co-opted Governor

Profession: Teacher

Committees: Full Governors Committee  
Appeals:  
Pay/Complaints/Grievance/Discipline/Attendance Committee

Date Appointed: 4 December 2017

### Experience

- 28 years as a teacher
- I have taught in a range of secondary schools across Lancashire, Yorkshire and Cumbria
- I have had various roles including Head of English and SLT
- I have been an examiner for the WJEC for many years examining English Language and English Literature
- Post 16 mentor and UCAS advisor
- I have supervised trainee teachers for Edge Hill, University of Cumbria, Manchester Metropolitan University and SCITT

### Skills/Interests

My career has necessitated that I have a detailed understanding of the English curriculum and its qualifications at Key stages three, four and five. I have also been involved with whole school literacy and literacy intervention. Outside of work, I am keen on sports and have played many competitively. Now I play golf whenever I can and tennis at a local club. I enjoy cooking and reading.



## **MRS MARY JACKSON**

Position: Co-opted Governor

Profession: Retired Teacher

Committees: Full Governors Committee  
Resources Committee  
Standards & Effectiveness Committee  
Appeals:  
Pay/Complaints/Grievance/Discipline/Attendance Committee

Date Appointed: 4 December 2017

Experience:

- I have been a teacher, School Adviser, Principal Adviser and Education IT Manager in North Wales and several NW Local Authorities.
- My professional life focussed on support to schools to ensure the delivery of high quality education, ensuring that all pupils are given the opportunity to fulfil their potential in a safe and nurturing environment.
- During this time, I worked closely with Primary, Secondary and Special Schools and also settings with specific needs such as Hospital Schools, Residential settings for pupils with complex learning requirements and pupils with sight and hearing impairments.

Skills/Interests

I have been a school governor for many years and, on moving to the Lune Valley area in 2010 became a governor and subsequently Chair of Governors in my local school, a role which I have retained. In 2016, I was approached by the Local Authority and subsequently joined the Governing body of a second Primary School and became Chair of Governors. In both schools, I am Governor with nominated responsibility for child protection and PREVENT strategy, assessment and interventions and ICT. I also sit on Curriculum, Resources and Standards and Effectiveness committees and am part of the Headteacher appraisal team. In addition to schoolwork, I am a Public Governor for the Lancashire Care NHS Trust representing the North Lancashire and South Lakes area and with a particular interest in the mental health of children and young people. I am a member of the local Parish Council. I am a volunteer with the National Trust and also undertake active fundraising and support for the local community and village hall in Melling.

Having joined the Governing body of Wennington Hall School in December 2017 I am fully committed to working towards achieving the best outcomes and ethos for both Residential and Day pupils in school. As Governors, we expect the highest quality of education and care for pupils ensuring that they are equipped with the social, educational and vocational skills to develop in school and beyond.



## **MRS K JARMAN**

Position: LEA Governor

Profession: Retired Teacher

Committees: Full Governors Committee  
Standards & Effectiveness

Date Appointed: 19 June 2019

### Experience

- Career in teaching in State and Independent sectors, both day and boarding.
- Held a number of posts including Assistant Headteacher, International Baccalaureate co-ordinator, Professional Development co-ordinator
- Experience of Further Education Provision
- 10 Years experience of Governance

### Skills/Interests

Appointed Chair of Governors at Beaumont College Lancaster for eight years. The college provides for students with complex learning needs. Presently Chair of Governors at Chadwick High School PRU. I have had wide experience of taking students on outdoor activities and believe strongly that this is an important part of curriculum. I come from a family of artists so my interests span a wide variety of craft making. I am involved with the local archaeological and history society, and have a keen interest in social history.