

Meet the Governors

The school has a Full Governing Body, which took full responsibility for the strategic management of the school on 1st September 2017

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|  | <p>Jonathan Nay Chair of Governors <i>Local Authority Governor</i> SEND and Safeguarding Link Governor Term of Office: 01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 21</p> | <p>Recently retired, I have spent a lifetime in education first as an English teacher, later as a senior manager in Further Education and finally working for a succession of government agencies in the education and training sector. I am particularly interested in the ways that children learn and best practice in assuring that children receive the start in life that they deserve.</p> <p>I have two daughters and four grandchildren and my interests include the theatre, reading and hill walking.</p> | |
| <p>My children have all been pupils at Bourne School and I have regularly got involved in the school's events.</p> <p>I was keen to become a parent governor to volunteer my time to assist in the running of the school along with my Governor colleagues and the Headteacher.</p> | | <p>Shadan Baram <i>Parent Governor</i> SMSC Link Governor Term of Office: 01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 20</p> |  |
|  | <p>Elaine Codling <i>Co-opted Governor</i> EYFS Link Governor Term of Office: 01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 21</p> | <p>I'm an HR Manager with nearly 20 years' experience in the HR world, initially in the higher education sector.</p> <p>This is my first time as a governor but I feel that my professional experience has given me a good understanding of issues facing schools. I became more involved with Bourne when I was asked to sit on the Interim Executive Board in 2013 and I was keen to join the Governing Body afterwards to continue working with Mr Maxwell on the school's journey to becoming outstanding.</p> | |
| <p>My children have been attending the school for the last four years and during that period I have been involved in FOBSA (as time allows) and have also undertaken some reading with children, which has helped me to familiarise myself with the school. I have one child in Year 4 and one in Year 2. I've worked for East Sussex Adult Social Care for the last three years, completing assessments with adults who receive support from the Local Authority.</p> <p>In my spare time I am an Assistant Leader at a local Cub group and an active member of my local Church. I really enjoy being in the outdoors and having the opportunity to run and cycle.</p> | | <p>Andy Thornett <i>Parent Governor</i> Health and Safety Link Governor Term of Office: 01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 20</p> |  |



Chiara Potenza

Staff Governor

Online Safety Link

Governor

Term of Office:

01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 19

I was born and raised in London, where I also trained and worked as a teacher, before moving to sunny Eastbourne with my family. I joined Bourne in 2016 and I am keen to make a positive contribution to the school as a whole.

I value a creative and stimulating approach to teaching and learning, where children are challenged and encouraged to become thoughtful and independent learners. I am delighted to be working alongside such a dedicated team of staff, parents, governors and children in the continuing development and growing success of the school.

Having originally studied for a career in accountancy I made the change to teaching over 40 years ago. After teaching in a Comprehensive school in Essex I moved to Eastbourne in 1980 and I have since split my time between running a small hotel and teaching as part of the English as a Additional Language Service, starting at Bourne, as well as being part of the leadership team of a local church.

Having retired I want to use my skills and experience to help the school achieve great success.

Colin Marchant

Co-opted Governor

EAL Link Governor

Term of Office:

01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 21



John Maxwell

Headteacher

Term of Office:

Ex Officio

I joined Bourne in September 2013, having lived and worked in London for all of my life. Before coming to the south coast, I was a headteacher for 8 years in a similarly sized North London school, which was judged to be outstanding in 2011.

I am extremely proud to be the headteacher of Bourne School. It is an exciting, innovative and rapidly improving school which celebrates the diversity of its community and strives to provide a fantastic education to its pupils.

I have recently joined the Governors and am looking forward to working with the school to achieve the best results for its pupils. Having previously worked at Bourne School I want to carry on my relationship and I still volunteer my time at Bourne events including the annual dance concert and the Blackland Farm residential trip.

I am a manager at a local Estate Agency, where I have built a wide range of contacts which I hope may be able to help the school where possible. In my spare time I enjoy cooking, photography and spending time with my family.

Luke Shevels

Co-opted Governor

Vice-chair of

Governors

Chair of the Finance

Committee / Finance

Link Governor

Term of Office:

01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 21



Alex Brown

Co-opted Governor

Attendance Link

Governor

Term of Office:

01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 21

I joined the Shadow Governing Body when it was formed last year. I have held a variety of management roles across different professions, and thought that my experience in and out of schools would be very useful to the governors.

I have worked at Bourne since 2009, and currently work as the school's cover supervisor, covering classes when staff are absent or on training. I am also a Bourne parent, and one of my daughters now attends a local secondary school.

I wanted to join the Bourne governors as I have previous experience, having served as a school governor for 5 years at Invergowrie Primary School in Scotland.

I am employed by the University of Brighton in the School of Sport and Service Management in Eastbourne. I undertake research into nutrition and exercise interactions and their effects on health and body function. I also teach to undergraduate and post graduate students, specialism is human physiology and biochemistry. I have published over 100 research articles and held many research funded grant projects.

Peter Watt
Parent Governor
Sports Grant and
Educational Visits Link
Governor
Term of Office:
01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 20



Liz McAvan
Co-opted Governor
Health Grant and
Pupil Premium Link
Governor
Term of Office:
01 / 09 / 17 to 31 / 08 / 21

I have promoted school improvements as a secondary school curriculum leader and, latterly, as Manager of a NHS school health and wellbeing service. I am keen to contribute my skills to the Governing Body's drive to achieve excellent outcomes for the children and young people at Bourne.

I also enjoy opportunities to keep learning in retirement; currently tackling Italian and Contemporary Dance technique classes.