




Governor Profiles

<p>Nick Johnson Chair of Governors Foundation Governor</p> <p>I am currently a Foundation Governor having previously been first elected as a Parent Governor in 2017. I live in Digswell and currently have two children at the school. I first put myself forward to be a Governor because I wanted to contribute to the school and blend the personal with the professional. I want to play my part in making sure the school lives its vision and ethos and provides a nurturing and inclusive education for the children. I have been Chair of Governors since September 2021. In the day job, I have been Chief Executive of the British Educational Research Association (BERA) since 2012. BERA is the leading authority on educational research in the UK, supporting and representing the community of scholars, practitioners and everyone engaged in and with educational research both nationally and internationally. In previous roles I've worked as the Director of Policy for the Commission for Racial Equality and a background of management and advising on strategic direction in organisations concerned with public policy.</p>	 A portrait of Nick Johnson, a man with short brown hair, a beard, and glasses, wearing a blue and white checkered shirt. He is smiling and looking towards the camera.
<p>Rob Marshall Foundation Ex-Officio</p> <p>I have been Rector of Digswell now for several years working closely with ministerial colleagues. I was ordained four decades ago and throughout my ministry I have loved working with children and students of all ages. My doctoral research was on digital audiences, and it was really interesting to look into what the younger generation is thinking, searching for and doing. The Church of England has a rich history of working in education and, in recent years, it has been finding its way forward in a fast- changing context. In my spare time I enjoy my broadcasting on BBC Radio 4's Today Programme as a presenter of Thought for the Day and I enjoy cooking, football, and the theatre.</p>	 A portrait of Rob Marshall, a bald man with a friendly expression, wearing a green and yellow clerical vestment over a white shirt and black clerical collar. He is smiling and looking towards the camera.
<p>Lee Pocha Foundation Governor</p> <p>I have lived in Digswell for 9 years and I have three children currently at the school. I was appointed a governor in March 2022, and this is my first appointment on a school governing body. Until recently I practiced as a lawyer in the city, and I am hoping to use the skills I have gained in that role, as well as my experiences as a school parent, to support and contribute towards the development and success of the school. As a governor, I want to see all of our pupils fulfil their full potential in a stimulating, supportive and happy environment. I am also an active member of Digswell Parish and will be able to promote the school's Christian ethos and continue to build the links between church and school.</p>	 A portrait of Lee Pocha, a woman with dark hair pulled back, wearing a light-colored top. She is smiling and looking towards the camera.

Mike Peacock**Foundation Governor**

I have lived locally for over 30 years and both daughters attended St John's. I have also been the Treasurer of Digswell Village Church since 2010. Originally, I trained as an Electronics Engineer, but my career can best be described as a manager of problem-solving industrial projects ranging from improving stock availability, through site consolidation and mergers to implementing GDPR in a company with a turnover of €300M. In my spare time I enjoy: DIY, woodwork, walking, learning to play the Ukelele, and learning to be a School Governor! High quality Nursery and Primary education is key to personal development as it lays the foundation for all levels of education and career development that follow. Several outstanding teachers in my primary school recognised my potential and gave me a head start that stayed with me throughout my education and subsequent career.



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