

## The Governing Board 2016-17

I am pleased to present some information about the Governing Board's local authority, co-opted and parent members and others in the team who will continue to support our school. We also have governors who are members of staff - Mrs Blee, Mrs Stimpson, Mr Fenton and Mr Thomas.

I must acknowledge the work of Tony Mears, a governor who has moved away from this area and can therefore no longer continue his duties with us. Tony contributed much in his short time with us giving a perspective on educational issues informed by his work as a civil servant in the Department of Health, his knowledge of the ways that government works and how institutions should be held to account.

My thanks to all the members of the Governing Board for their time, patience and hard work.

Mike Smith (Chair of Governors)



SARAH BRAY

I'm a mother of three boys, two of whom attend Emmbrook Junior School. With a background in teaching I wanted to use my skills and experience to help make a difference to our children's education. As a parent governor I also wanted to take forward the views and opinions of other parents. I am on the Curriculum and Pupil Achievement committee and was recently a member of the vision committee.

HAYLEY CHAPPLE

I have recently joined the school as Clerk to the Governors, working as a job share with Sarah Hunter. I also work as a school HR adviser for Bracknell Forest council. I have previously worked as a clerk to governors for a school in Bracknell. I have two teenage boys - one in year 9 and one starting 6th form college. I am looking forward to supporting the school and governors in this role.



SONIA GRUNDY



I am a new parent governor with children in the Infant and Junior schools. Parents and children should be part of our school's development and I am keen for their voices to be heard. I have worked in industry, teaching, as an educational psychologist and have spent the past 8 years caring for my children. I recently returned to work in a local pre-school. I hope that my experiences will be valuable in giving a parent view whilst understanding the demands made on our school. I am keen to bring a psychological perspective to the governing body and am passionate about inclusion. I sit on the Curriculum and Pupil Achievement Committee and the Leadership, Management and Staffing Committee. I share governor responsibility for Safeguarding and am the subject governor for Modern Foreign Languages and Personal, Social and Health Education. I look forward to supporting our school to provide the best possible education for our children.

## TED HUNTER

I joined the governing body in 2011 as a Local Authority Governor, because I wanted to support the development of the school my grandchildren attend or attended. After 37 years in secondary teaching and 6 years as a self-employed education consultant I quickly became involved in analysis of how the school is performing and I currently am Assessment and Pupil Premium Governor. In 2012 I took over as Deputy Chair of Governors and sit on all 3 sub-committees, including chairing the Leadership, Management and Staffing committee. Following on from the school's very successful Ofsted inspection late in 2014, this is an exciting and challenging time for the school and I am looking forward to seeing the school develop further in my second term as a governor, this time as a Co-opted Governor.



## SARAH HUNTER

Along with Hayley Chapple, I am the Clerk to Governors at the school. In my day job I am a Schools HR Adviser at Bracknell Forest Council, so I work with school staff on a day to day basis. My niece and nephews have all attended and enjoyed their time at Emmbrook Junior School and I look forward to working in this role at the school.

## HELEN McALLISTER

I joined Emmbrook Junior School governing body two years ago, while I was on a career break from teaching. This allowed me to continue using my experiences in education whilst staying at home with young children. I am a co-opted member of the governing body and I now chair the Curriculum and Pupil Achievement committee. I am looking forward to continuing working with the school and the dedicated governing body in this new school year.

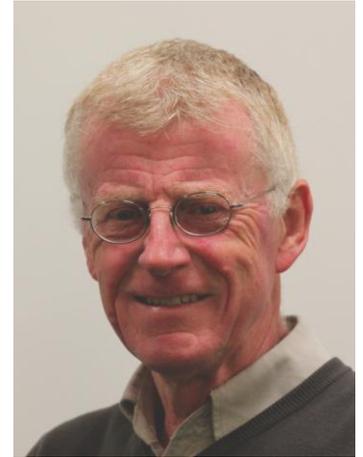


## MELISSA SHAW

I joined the governing body in 2014. At this time my daughter was making the transition from Emmbrook Infants to Juniors and I felt that it would be a good time to become more involved with the school. Having previously completed a Food Science degree I now work for a Cake Manufacturer where I manage a team. I joined the Leadership, Management and Staffing committee as I felt this builds on my skills from my job.

## MIKE SMITH

I joined the governing body in 2011 as a community governor, many years after my two daughters had attended the school. With a background in secondary education as a teacher and adviser, I became particularly interested in the primary curriculum. Since becoming chair of the governing body I now sit on all committees to get an overview of the curriculum; the achievement of the pupils; how the leadership, management and staff make things happen; how the premises are kept in good order and the finances behind it all. I look forward to seeing the development of the school in its 51<sup>st</sup> year and beyond with Infant and Junior governors working together to contribute to the continued development of two good schools.



## BRYAN WILLIAMS

Before going into industry I taught in a local state comprehensive school for seven years, where I was head of the chemistry department. I have one grandchild at the school, one at Emmbrook Infants School and a third at Emmbrook Senior School. My involvement with the school includes accompanying the children and staff on several visits including a recent Manor trip. This year my responsibilities include chair of the Finance, Community and Premises committee, serving on the Leadership, Management and Staffing committee and subject governor for Computing.