



Meet the Governors

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School
'Grow in Love'



JO FAULKNER is Chair of the Governing Body of Sacred Heart where she is proud to have served as a governor for two years! She also is a member of Richmond Schools Forum. Jo is passionate about giving young people the best start in life. She believes good governance is about providing a competent, informed and trusted foundation for the Headteacher and her team to educate, inspire and care for the pupils of Sacred Heart on their journey to becoming honourable and upstanding young adults of the future.

Jo also chairs the Governing Body of an East London primary school where she has served for seven years.



Wayne Haynes-Smart All three of my children attended Sacred Heart and I would like to use my talents to give back to the school where I can.

I am a finance analyst within the airline industry for past 6 years and have approximately 20 years experience in the restaurant industry.



SAOIRSE DAVIS joined SH as a Foundation Governor in 2021. She had 3 children who attended the school and formerly worked in Information Technology.

As a Governor Saoirse actively monitors Safeguarding and tracks Health and Safety across the school.



James Cleary joined the Governing Board as a parent governor in 2023 and serves on the finance committee. James lives in Teddington with his wife and three children who attend Sacred Heart. James is the Chief Operating Officer for a London based hedge fund.



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BRENDA GREEN was appointed as Headteacher to Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School in September 2022. Prior to headship, she served for sixteen years in two other Catholic Primary Schools in Richmond Upon Thames.

Before coming to teaching, Brenda worked in the computer industry in training, service and business planning roles. She feels it is a huge privilege to be part of the Sacred Heart Community.



KATHERINE CONLON Katherine joined the Governing Board as a parent governor in 2021 and has since become a Foundation Governor. She serves on the Finance, Pay and Personnel committee and the Community and Catholic Life committee. She lives in Strawberry Hill with her husband and their two children and has been a parishioner of Sacred Heart Church since 2008.

Katherine is a media lawyer and works as General Counsel in a multinational media business.



Caroline Pellerin Caroline Pellerin has been a Parent Governor at the School since April 2025 and serves as the Governor link for 'Catholic Life and Mission' and 'Prayer and Liturgy'. She also sits on the Quality of Education Committee. Caroline's 3 children have all attended Sacred Heart School and she is a member of Sacred Heart Parish.

Caroline is a Leadership Coach and Trainer and previously worked in Change Management in Professional Services for a number of years.



GREG PYTEL has been a Governor at Sacred Heart School since February 2020. He has been a parishioner at Sacred Heart Church in Teddington since 1990. He is married and has a daughter. Since 2014, Greg has been a civil servant, specialising in energy and regulatory economics.

Before 2014, since 1990, he had worked in the energy and ICT industries, and had also been a university researcher at Imperial College and the London School of Economics.

Greg is interested in supporting development of children's knowledge in STEM subjects, not only focusing on practically applying it in everyday life, but also reaching for the stars, to be scientists of the future.



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CLARE TAYLOR has been Deputy Headteacher at Sacred Heart since September 2015. She was previously a teacher Governor and is now an associate Governor of the school. Clare has specific roles and interests in the school, namely Safeguarding and Special Educational Needs; she is the school's Designated Safeguarding Lead and SENCo.



Marie Foley lives locally and has a keen interest in supporting the education of young children. She has been teaching for over 30 years, including 4 years abroad, when she was lucky enough to travel to many countries. Marie currently teaches in another Catholic school in the Diocese.



JACOB PHILLIPS is Director of the Institute of Theology and Liberal Arts and an Associate Professor in Theology at St Mary's University, Twickenham. He sits on the QE sub-committee, and is particularly interested in Religious Education.



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Chris Mummery Christopher Mummery was elected as a Foundation Governor in October 2024 and serves as a member of the Finance & Premises Committee.

With a wealth of experience leading global multinational businesses, Christopher is excited to bring his strong skill set to the education sector. He is dedicated to supporting the school's continued progress and helping create an environment where every child can thrive.

Christopher has a long-standing connection to St. Edmund's Parish Church and to St Edmunds School in Whitton, having attended himself, as did his children.



Kim Dell'Anno As staff governor I am able to bring my knowledge and experience of over 17 years of teaching at Sacred Heart to our governing body. I am committed to contributing to our school supporting the Headteacher and Governing Body to strategically plan and provide the best outcomes for our pupils. As staff member I provide a link between staff and governors and can share insight into the daily life of the school. I have found that this is a valued part of the staff governor's role.



Katie Donegan Katie Donegan was appointed as the Local Authority nominated Governor in 2025 and sits on the Quality of Education Committee.

She has 4 children who attend/attended the school and formerly worked as a commercial lawyer and prior to that, as a teacher of English as a Foreign Language.

Katie is the Link Governor for English and has a particular interest in the attainment and well-being of EAL pupils.