



LYNGFORD PARK PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

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Local Governing Body

Faye Forsyth – Chair of Governors

I have been a Governor at the school since 2014, and have been Chair of Governors since 2019.

I am a parent with children in both key stages at Lyngford Park, this gives me a good all round perspective and interest in the school being the best it can be, and helps support my role of chair of governors, where I can offer fair parent feedback and support, as well as being able to be a critical friend to the school.

The skill set I can offer to support my role includes owning my own business and also having qualifications within teaching and assessing.

Being a governor is important to me as I truly care about the quality of education the children of Lyngford receive and I am passionate about Lyngford Park, and it's achievements to date.

I enjoy being able to support Lyngford Park within my role of Chair of Governors, with the support of a dedicated, diverse, skilled governing body along side of me.

Mel Lyness – Vice Chair of Governors

I have had the privilege of being a parent governor at Lyngford Park for approximately four years. Currently I have the role of monitoring Health and Safety and Early Years. During my time as a governor I have worked alongside many of the Lyngford Team and have had my eyes opened to the vast planning involved to ensure our children have a fulfilling primary education experience.

With two children at Lyngford Park I have a very keen interest in the education our children receive.

I am a long standing resident of the local area and even attended Lyngford Park (albeit some time ago!) Therefore I am invested in our community and will continue to represent the parents and community, as well as supporting the school.

Claire Ousley

I have been a governor at Lyngford Park Primary School since 2013. Firstly, as a parent governor and now a co-opted governor. I have undertaken many link roles such as Safeguarding governor and finance governor. I am the Finance manager at a local secondary school in Taunton where I have worked for 10 years.

My main role as the finance governor is to monitor the school budget and challenge SLT when anything occurs.

I enjoy working with Head, SLT, Staff, Pupils and Parents to ensure Lyngford Park is the best educational setting for the pupils who attend now and the pupils who will be attending in the future.

Sue Purssey – Finance Committee

I became a governor at Lyngford Park Primary School in 2021 after retiring as a finance manager in a local secondary school and previously having worked in banking for over 20 years. My role as a governor, with my experience in this field, is to support the Headteacher and at the same time to challenge decisions made in order that the outcome can be reached having fully explored all opportunities.



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I have been married for 40 years and have 2 children and 2 grandchildren which both my husband and I are fully involved in their young lives supporting our daughters when they require.

Since becoming a governor, I have a role to play and that gives me great pleasure.

Nic Saint – SEND Governor

I work as a Technical Project Manager for the Somerset Library Service within Somerset County Council and have worked in various didn't guises in ICT for twenty five years. I live with my wife just outside of Taunton and have grown up children and a very spoilt dog!

I'm a runner, movie and TV enthusiast, video gamer and if not doing any of those things usually reading a book.

I have been a Governor within two schools over eight years and in both acting as the SEND Governor which I have a special interest in as having family members who have been affected by learning difficulties. I see it as a privilege to be able to serve the community to help develop children to attain the best they can for their education.

Gemma John – Teacher Governor – EYFS Lead

I am a staff governor. Currently, I am the EYFS and Science lead and have been working at the school for over 5 years. I am passionate about education and constantly strive to provide the best quality provision for all the children in our community. I am a Thrive practitioner which has increased my ability to support and understanding of children with SEMH needs. I find it really rewarding working with children who may have experienced trauma or need support in developing their social and emotional skills.

I am also a PE teacher / sports coach and find it so valuable combining the knowledge and experience I have developed within science, positive mindset and physical activity to enhance the whole school offer. I thoroughly enjoy teaching at Lyngford Park because of the children, parents and staff which makes it a special place to work.

Mihaela Grosu – Parent Governor

I am a Maths teacher with over 10 years' experience in teaching overseas and in UK. Currently I am working at Bridgwater and Taunton College. This has given me an understanding of all aspects in terms of the quality of teaching and success of the students.

I have two children attending Lyngford Park primary School and I want all of our children to be best that they can be in all aspects of life and work hard to ensure that our school environment is a supportive and happy place for pupils to learn.

I have always had a passion for school improvement in order to provide children with best possible education and enable them improve their life chances. In my role as Governor at Lyngford Park Primary School I aim to use this knowledge, understanding, skills and passion to support the work of the school.

Angela Bolithero – Community Governor

I work for the district council in a role working with a range of partner agencies in North Taunton. In a previous career I was a teacher and Headteacher in primary schools in Somerset, North Somerset and Bristol.

I have been a governor at Lyngford Park in the past and a member of the Management Committee of Taunton Deane Partnership College. I live on the coast with my 2 dogs, I love holidays, crafts, walking and socialising with friends and family.



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I look forward to supporting Nick Arnold and the staff at Lyngford Park as a member of the Governing Body.

Nick Arnold – Headteacher

I started my role as Headteacher in September 2021 and have been in education for 25 years and Headteacher for the past 8 years. My passion is trying to find effective ways to provide the best possible provision for all children whilst balancing budgets and limitations.

I aim to drive my staff team to achieve their potential thus supporting all children to do the same. I wish to further work with parents and our community to help our neighbourhood. I try to do my best in all I do and work as effectively as I can in order to drive school improvement. Children, staff and parents should be proud to be part of our school – I feel privileged to be the Headteacher at Lyngford Park and I will continue to give my all to support all children, staff and families of this great place.