

## APRIL 2023 GOVERNOR NEWSLETTER

#### SUMMER TERM

#### **BY HELEN NURSE**

Welcome to our Governors newsletter for the Summer term. We are a fairly new governing board and so wanted to start communicating regularly with you about what the governors are up to, what we have been working on and keeping you informed about our work within the school community. In this newsletter we are also introducing you to the governing board and we are recruiting, so if you know anyone who would like to give back to the community and be part of our amazing school please do share this information.

Reading with children in school

Listening to pupil voice during anti bullying week

Providing feedback on updated behaviour policies

Support for headteacher and senior leadership team

Working with other schools in the trust to share ideas and best practice

#### SOME OF THE THINGS THAT THE GOVERNORS HAVE DONE IN THE LAST TERM...

## **MEET THE GOVERNORS**

# HELEN NURSE

I have been involved with Statham Primary as a parent since 2011. I have been an active member of the PTA and am passionate about our school and community! I love being part of such a strong, vibrant and positive school and I have seen first hand how this school provides a first rate primary education experience. I also love that Statham has a real focus on play, kindness and learning to be a good citizen and these values form an integral part of school life.

Having been part of the school for the last 12 years, I have a good understanding of the school ethos and values. I am not afraid to ask challenging questions or bring information and feedback from parents and the wider community to the attention of the governing body for exploration and consideration. I run my own business in the field of media and marketing and so I brings creativity and excellent communication skills to my role. I am also the link governor to The Beam Trust and regularly meet with the other primary chairs to share best practice, ideas and support.





## SIMON HOWORTH VICE CHAIR

Outside of my governor role, I have been teaching for 10 years and am currently Head of Department (IT and Computing) at a secondary school in Macclesfield. Prior to teaching I worked for ten years in the IT industry as a Developer for a finance company. As well as being passionate about developments in technology, I have a great love of arts and entertainment. In my spare time I am a keen cyclist and runner.

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#### **JILL ELSTON**

#### LINK GOVERNOR FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

My name is Jill, I am the curate at St Mary's her in Lymm and I'm a community governor at Statham. I am a qualified secondary teacher and have also worked in schools in Stockport with a charity and churches. I love walking about in all the green spaces we have in Lymm and spotting the seasons changing. I love music and singing and care for the environment. I've just purchased a second-hand green house and hope this will improve my record on growing veggies!





### ELIZABETH SIMMONS LINK GOVERNOR FOR SAFEGUARDING AND INCLUSION

My name is Liz Simmons, I have been a Primary School Teacher in Salford for 14 years. I have been a qualified Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator for 9 years and part of the school's Senior Leadership Team. I live with husband and two children in Warrington. I am passionate about ensuring all children are given the best opportunities to thrive and fulfil their potential.

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### LINDA MURDOCH LINK COVERNOR FOR WELLBEING

Linda has been involved in local schools as a parent and as a Governor at a local high school, which has given her an insight into the daily life and demands on staff and pupils. She is a local JP which gives her an awareness of the local community including Youth Court. She is involved in and organises youth activities across the town. Her previous occupation in the Civil Service means she is experienced working within legal and government guidelines and her current occupation means she is in contact with local schools regularly and meet families in Lymm on a regular basis through a variety of activities. Linda is the link governor for Well Being.



## RHIAN HILL LINK GOVERNOR FOR ECO

Rhian was appointed as staff governor in September 2019. She has responsibility for Special Educational Needs and Mental Health Support and is member of school's Senior Leadership Team. Rhian is the ECO Lead for the governing board.

## GOVERNORS REGRUITMENT

We are seeking a new community governor. If you know anyone who might be interested in joining our governing board please share this information with them



# Statham Community Primary School is seeking YOU IF....

You would love to make a difference in your communit

Are passionate about children, education and helping to shape the future generation.

Would like to be involved in the **governing body** of a lovely community primary school

We are seeking a new member for our governing board.

Statham primary school is a small, friendly, welcoming school where our motto is to inspire everyone to **learn**, **share and care.** We would love you to join us.

Please contact statham.office@thebeamtrust.co.uk to find out more

# inspiring all the learn, care and share

www.stathamprimary.co.uk

## **GOVERNOR NEWS AND UPDATES**

#### **THE BEAM TRUST**

We have now been part of the Beam Trust for nearly 2 years and being part of the multi academy trust is providing many benefits for us as a school. In May there will be a celebration event to mark the hard work that has gone into transitioning all of our schools into the joint trust and the success for all the schools that is being recognised from this hard work.

One of the many benefits of being part of the Trust is access to the school improvement team. One of the recent pieces of work by the School Improvement team is an in-depth analysis of subjects areas in each school. This has involved the school improvement team visiting our school and doing an in depth review of each subject and then providing our school, including the teachers and the governing board with a thorough report and review for each subject area.

This has happened for history, geography, science and computing and we are delighted that the reviews were extremely positive and a great reflection of the fantastic teaching and learning taking place in the school. There have also been some useful recommendations.

This is one of the great benefits of being part of the multi academy trust; access to the school improvement team and being able to share best practice with other schools.

If you have any questions about The Beam Trust please do contact us

### NURSERY AND WRAP AROUND CARE

We are excited that our breakfast and after school clubs are now run and managed by school. In addition to this we are pleased to be able to offer a governor led nursery from September. This means that we will be providing a seamless and integrated early years setting. Children will benefit from early integration with the school community which will be highly beneficial for their social and learning development. It also give ease and reassurance to families that their children will be in a high quality nursery and pre-school provision which has the experience, facilities and opportunities of a community focused primary school which will serve their children with the best start in life.

We are planning some developments and upgrades to the space which is exciting. If you know anyone who can help with this; either with materials, labour or helping with funding for such projects then please do contact us, via the school office; we would appreciate any help or suggestions.