

## Whitleigh Primary and Sir John Hunt CSC Federated Governing Board

### Governor Profiles

	<p><b>CATHERINE JANE: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR/TRUST GOVERNOR CHAIR OF GOVERNING BOARD CHAIR OF RESOURCES COMMITTEE</b></p> <p>I have lived in Devon or Cornwall since moving to the West Country from Kent. After 26 years as a civil servant, where I was leading projects and managing teams, I am now very pleased to have time to support our school and community as a Governor. I am committed to helping to give young people the support needed to navigate life successfully.</p> <p>I am very lucky to have two amazing daughters (and son in laws!) and four lively grandchildren who I love to spend time with. I am a keen gardener and love all types of crafting and live music.</p>
	<p><b>BEN MANNING: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR</b></p> <p>With an unwavering commitment and passion for improving the outcomes for all learners, I have taught and led in the education sector for over 15 years. I am Deputy Principal (Curriculum and Quality) at a local Further Education College and enthusiastic about continually enhancing learning experiences through innovative and responsive curriculum opportunities alongside aspirational teaching and learning strategies.</p> <p>Throughout my professional career, both in employment and through my voluntary roles, I work with the strong belief that all students deserve the best learning experience to enable them to realise their full potential as valued members of society. I live in Plymouth with my wife and two young children and it's an absolute pleasure to be able to contribute to the school's ambitions and play a part in its future success.</p>
N/R	<p><b>KATHERINE ELLIOTT: STAFF GOVERNOR</b></p> <p>My name is Katherine Elliot, I work at Whitleigh Primary as a KS1 teacher. I have always lived and worked in Plymouth. I studied English Literature and Education Studies for 3 years at the University College of St Mark and St John and then worked as a teaching assistant for 1 year before deciding to do my PGCE in primary teaching. This is now my 5<sup>th</sup> year of teaching and in order to be fully engaged in my role, I felt it would be beneficial to be a part of the governing body where I can find out more about the way in which the school is run.</p>
	<p><b>GRETCHEN MELLEY: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR VICE CHAIR OF GOVERNING BOARD</b></p> <p>I'm originally from Worcestershire and moved to Plymouth for university where I studied Primary Education. Following university, I worked as a supply teacher across Devon and Cornwall before securing my first teaching job in Plymouth. After 5 years teaching at the same school, I took up my current role within the Salvation Army as Children and Families Outreach Coordinator for Plymouth in order to pursue my passion for supporting and empowering the whole family to achieve success.</p> <p>I am an enthusiastic musician and spend a lot of my spare time playing in brass band. I am also a proud auntie and love spending time with my family. I am pleased to continue and broaden my work within schools through my role as a Governor.</p>

	<p><b>CINDY WILLCOCKS: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR</b></p>
	<p><b>PAUL CHAPPLE: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR</b></p>
	<p><b>LEETICE TAYLOR: CO-OPTED LA GOVERNOR</b></p> <p>I have lived in Plymouth since 2022 and have worked within education since 2020. I have experience with children with disabilities along with children in care. I have recently finished my Masters in Education where I focused on inclusion within education. I have hopes to go on to study a PhD. I currently utilise my skills and knowledge through working within the Virtual School for the local authority. It can be a highly challenging but equally rewarding job. It is a real honour to be able to work alongside other professionals and ensure children in care are given every opportunity to reach their potential and go on to achieve their aspirations.</p> <p>I feel privileged to live in such a beautiful part of the country and you can often find me on Dartmoor or at the beach, even in January! I am often busy with work, studying and our dog and I'm excited to take on the next challenge and joy of being a school Governor.</p>
<p>N/R</p>	<p><b>JULIE BEVAN: PRINCIPAL, SIR JOHN HUNT CSC</b></p>
<p>N/R</p>	<p><b>MARK DYSON: HEADTEACHER, WHITLEIGH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL</b></p>