

The Governors

We are lucky to have an active and effective board of governors at Summerfields.

Below are short biographies of our current board:

Tony Murphy – Co-opted Governor & Chair of Governors

Hi, I'm Tony Murphy. I have had three very happy children pass through Summerfields Primary. I've been running the under 11 school football team here since 2011 and also enjoy taking assemblies as part of my role as Minister at Church on the Roundabout.

I also worked for 19 years as a science teacher at Sandown High (as it was then), so given my links to Island education and the local community, it seemed a logical step to become a school governor in September 2014.

I can be contacted in writing via the school.

Kay Wood – Head Teacher

Luke Meads – Co-opted Governor

I wanted to become a school Governor to help make a difference in my local community and make a positive contribution to the education of children. I have a passion for Science, Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), specifically engineering, and would like to have an influence in developing the next generation of Engineers. I believe education is vital in an ever changing world and I want to support those educating and inspiring children.

Both my wife and mother are teachers in Primary schools, and I am aware of the challenges that teachers have. With an almost constant change in school environments (budgets, targets, curriculum etc), I want to be able to contribute to the support network for the Headteacher and their teaching team.

Ben Gard – Co-opted Governor

I have lived local to the School for most of my life and have two children, one who attends the school and another currently attending Bright Sparks who I hope will enrol at Summerfields in a couple of years. By trade I am a Lawyer practising in a wide range of law including information governance (freedom of information and data protection), corporate governance, and school exclusions. In my spare time I am also the Chairman of Seaclose Swimming Club, a local registered charity. I am pleased to have been co-opted to the governing board.

Jane Bridle – Staff Governor

Jane is our staff governor. She is the subject leader for Maths and teaches Year 5.

Helen Smith – Clerk to the Governing Body

I am an Island girl born and bred with a long history in Local Government administration, most recently with the East Riding of Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Board and the Isle of Wight Fostering Team. I am passionate about education and training, and the opportunities it can deliver to all, especially when it comes to helping all young people achieve their potential and get the best outcomes in life. I am happy to be back home on the Island and gaining more knowledge and training in the field of education now that my daughter attends school at Summerfields.

Parent Governor – Vacancy

Co-opted Governor – Vacancy

Local Authority (LA) Governor – Vacancy

If you are interested in finding out more about any of our vacancies, please speak to the school office.