



**Robin Ghurbhurun**  
**Chair of Governors**

Robin Ghurbhurun is Chief Executive and Principal of Richmond upon Thames College, an experienced learning and skills leader with 22 years in the Further and Higher Education sector. Robin continues to successfully manage multi-million pound complex skills and training solutions for education and the business community. Robin is a Chemistry graduate from Kingston University with a Masters in Information Systems and Technology from City University, London.

Robin specialises in educational leadership and management, business performance and compliance, business development, employer engagement, stakeholder partnerships (regional, national and international), curriculum innovation and design, workforce development, e-learning and enterprise education.

He is a Trustee of JISC (The Joint Information Systems Committee), a Trustee of 'The Richmond upon Thames' free school (opened 2017) in Twickenham, a Board Member of the Association of Colleges London Regional Committee and a Committee member of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce.

Robin is the Chair of the Governing Body and sits on the Personnel/Pay, Finance and Premises and Safeguarding Committees and is the link Governor responsible for Child Protection & Safeguarding.



**Rev. Helen Hancock**

The Reverend Helen Hancock is Team Rector of the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry. She is an ex officio School Governor which post she took up on her appointment to St Matthew's Church in December 2012. She is the Chair of the Faith Team and is keen to increase links between the school, the church and the wider community. She was previously a Deputy Chair of school governors at her children's primary school in New Malden. Her professional working life before ordination was as a lawyer.



**Carol Cameron**

A mathematician by training, Carol recently retired after a 37 year career in the energy business, initially working in business roles then in Human Resources.

She has 3 children, now all in their 20's, and through them, has experienced the educational systems in the UK, US and the Netherlands. Whilst in the Netherlands, she was a governor of one of the British Schools there.

She believes that every child has talents and that a key objective of both the school and the parents/carers is to help each child identify and grow those talents.

Carol is a foundation governor appointed by the PCC of the church. She is the Chair of the Personnel and Admissions Committees and is also the link governor for Humanities.

### **Sarah Rowe**



Sarah Rowe was appointed as a Governor by the PCC (Parochial Church Council) in October 2015. She and her family regularly attend St. Matthew's Church and value the link between the school, the church and the wider community.

Sarah has a son in year 4 and a daughter in Reception at St. Matthew's. She is passionate about education and helping every child to love learning and achieve their potential.

Sarah has worked in Higher Education admissions and management for over ten years, currently in the School of Education at Kingston University.

She is a member of the Standards and Admissions committees.

### **John Warren**



John Warren is a retired lawyer and is a Foundation Governor. John is on the Personnel Committee and is link governor for Literacy.

### **Andrew Buckley**



Andrew is a Foundation Governor appointed by the PCC (Parochial Church Council). He has a daughter and a son; his daughter is in Year two and his son is in Reception at St Matthew's. Andrew has over 18 years' experience in the professional publishing and software industry and is currently a Product Management Director. He is Chair of the Finance and Premises Committee and is link governor for SEND.

### **Jessica Johnson**



Jessica is a Foundation Governor appointed by the PCC (Parochial Church Council). She is a designated safeguarding governor and is link governor for PSHE and mental health and well-being.



**Vicky Lelliott**

Vicky is one of our Parent Governors. Vicky has two children in the school and was previously co FOSMPS (Friends of St. Matthew's Primary School) chair with her husband Rob. She is link governor for PE and also website checks.



**Owen Davies**

Owen was appointed by the Southwark Diocese in October 2018. He is a lawyer by training and has held several senior positions in the Government Legal Department.

Owen enjoys seeing children learn, discover, make progress and help others. He is committed to ensuring that every child has access to the opportunities available at St Matthew's. He is link governor for science and maths at the school. He has a daughter in year 2 and a younger daughter.



**Richard Lightfoot**

Richard is one of our Parent Governors. Richard has two children, his daughter is currently in Year 2. He is link governor for pupil premium expenditure.



**Fiona Dearman**

My name is Fiona Dearman and I am a recently retired local Headteacher. I have taught in the Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames for over 33 years. I am passionate about Early Years Education and I have had the privilege of working with the Headteacher and staff at St Matthew's C of E Primary School over many years. I am looking forward to becoming a regular volunteer in the school. I very much believe that every child deserves the best possible start in their education and that all children should be successful learners. I have 3 grown up children who attended schools within the local authority. She is an associate governor and is the link governor for EYFS and Chair of the Standards Committee.