

Meet the Governors



Jane McFadyen – I have been Chair of Governors since 2024 and a governor at Christ Church Primary since 2016. I was head teacher at another school for several years before retiring.



Linsley de la Hunt – I have been a governor at Christ Church Primary for many years. I am a retired NHS hospital consultant and enjoy working as a volunteer in school every Monday.



Keith Reader – I worked in primary schools for 25 years, followed by eight years working for Safeguarding Children Services. Christ Church Primary School will always be special to me as I was head teacher here from 1998 until 2003.



Timothy Wigglesworth – I moved to Newcastle in 2007 with my work as a barrister. I am a churchwarden at St. Nicholas Cathedral and was asked to be a governor at Christ Church Primary in January 2019, which I was delighted to accept.



Allan Marks – I am the parish priest of Christ Church and have been Vice Chair of Governors since 2009. I am originally from Yorkshire but really love Newcastle, especially Christ Church Primary School.



Brenda Garbutt – I have been involved with education for 37 years. I worked at Christ Church in school administration and have been an associate governor for several years.



Jon Rippon - I have been Churchwarden at Christ Church since 2020. For the past 30 years I have worked as a town planner in Newcastle. As a result I have a good understand of issues affecting the area.



Christopher Wardale – I am a retired vicar, professional glass designer and have a long experience of being a school governor. I have been governor at Christ Church Primary since 2019.



Katy Stoman – I am a parent governor, my son attended this school and my daughter currently attends. Before taking a career break to have my children, I was a secondary school geography teacher so I am very much used to life in schools.



Tigist Tegegne – I am a parent governor, my daughter and son attend this school. I was a primary school teacher in Ethiopia and completed a college placement at Christ Church.