

FURZE PLATT SENIOR SCHOOL GOVERNORS

	Katie Mair – Chair of Governors Having become a Governor in 2009 when my son was at FPSS, I am delighted to have been elected by the Governing Board to serve as your Chair of Governors. With a professional background in stakeholder engagement, data-driven decision-making, and school improvement, I have a deep commitment to education and supporting our community to thrive. I have worked extensively with schools and trusts over the last 20+ years to implement effective stakeholder voice feedback; staff appraisal, QA monitoring and CPD platform; and classroom resources. I look forward to continuing to work alongside our school leaders to ensure everyone at FPSS has the opportunity to ACHIEVE.
	Kate Winrow-Davies – Vice Chair of Governors I have two children at FPSS and am passionate about supporting the school and its wider community. I have worked in schools across Berkshire and Surrey for over 20 years, specialising in vocational education and pastoral care. This experience has given me a strong understanding of the opportunities and challenges young people face throughout their education. I currently work as a Level 6 Careers Adviser, providing impartial careers information, advice and guidance to students across Key Stages 3, 4 and 5. I am committed to helping young people recognise their strengths, raise their aspirations and make informed decisions about their futures. Outside of work, I am actively involved in a variety of activities within our local community. I enjoy bringing people together, encouraging collaboration and helping others work towards a common goal. As a governor, I hope to use my professional experience, knowledge of education and commitment to our community to support FPSS in continuing to provide the best possible opportunities and outcomes for all its pupils.
	Diane Flood – Appointed Governor I am a Chartered Librarian with many years' experience of working with young people in school, public and university libraries. I was originally appointed as a staff governor when I worked in the school library at Furze Platt and am now an appointed governor. I am currently working as a librarian at Newlands School. My son and daughter both attended Furze Platt. My son was Head Boy in his final year.
	Janet Moore – Appointed Governor To come



Rob Olliff – Appointed Governor

I was honoured to be appointed a Governor at Furze Platt Senior School in 2024. My wife is a teacher and my son attends primary school in Windsor where we live. I am passionate about the difference a good education can make to people's lives and proud that I can contribute to the school and local community.

I am a chartered accountant and have worked in the banking sector for more than 20 years both in the UK and overseas. I hope my skills and experience will be of benefit to Furze Platt. In my spare time we like to travel as a family and spend as much time as possible in the great outdoors. When I get time to myself I am a keen runner and golfer.



Joshua Reynolds – Appointed Governor

I joined the Furze Platt Governing body in the Summer of 2024. Having been a student at Furze Platt from 2010-2017, I have seen the school from the 'other side' and it is an enormous privilege to give something back to the school that taught me so much.

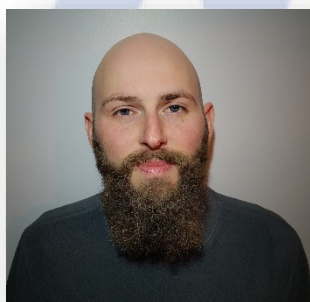
I am currently the Member of Parliament for Maidenhead, a role I've held since July 2024. A Councillor for Furze Platt Ward since 2019, I was recently the Cabinet Member for Communities and Leisure at RBWM. My professional background was in retail, managing a chain of supermarket stores. In my spare time I enjoy baking and trying our new recipes with my family.



Chris Rodgers – Appointed Governor

I've recently moved to the Maidenhead area from Brighton, where I was a Governor of a secondary school. During my time there my responsibilities included chairing the Curriculum & Standards committee. I'm very pleased to have joined the Furze Platt Senior School Governing Board.

My professional background is in Banking & Finance, and I've held varied roles and responsibilities in my career thus far. In particular I have experience of working with a variety of education providers with various financing needs. My professional background, combined with my proactive and enthusiastic attitude, means I believe I am well-placed to add value to the Board of Governors and help the school succeed. I am passionate about education, its ability to increase social mobility and its importance as a cornerstone of community. I endeavour to try my utmost to make a difference for all the young people and stakeholders of our school.



Daniel Siskin – Appointed Governor

I run an outdoor childcare company for children of primary school age. Our main focus is allowing the children to be children and to play in some of the wonderful outdoor spaces we have in the area. I work with young people, parents and schools and feel privileged to provide fun and memorable experiences for everyone that we work with. Prior to this, I worked in secondary education for just under 10 years. With my main subject being Spanish, I held a variety of other roles during my tenure both within curriculum leadership as well as the school's pastoral teams. With this school experience under my belt, I am honoured and excited to support Furze Platt Senior School as a governor.

In my spare time, I am a keen fitness and sports enthusiast. I attend matches of my beloved Tottenham Hotspur as well as more locally in Marlow.



Jo Smith – Parent Governor

I have had two children at FPSS, both of whom have received exceptional teaching, learning and pastoral support. It is an enormous privilege to be able to give something back to the school.

I am an experienced HR professional and a trade union official. I have previously worked as an HR Business Partner, providing a 'critical friend' perspective to managers and so am used to questioning and challenging the status quo in an open and constructive way. I have worked as part of various leadership teams and understand the need to accept collective responsibility for decisions/actions. I recognise the need to have different perspectives within teams, to avoid the 'group think' that can often lead organisations to become embedded in patterns of work/process without questioning their purpose and value.

I am a passionate advocate of comprehensive education, and my priority will be to ensure that all children are able to meet their full potential, and to build a love of learning so that school is a positive place for them all.



Abi Stead – Co-opted Governor

I was honoured to be co-opted onto the Governing Board at Furze Platt Senior School in March 2025. Over the past 16 years, I have taught Drama in schools across Maidenhead and Slough and have held a variety of roles, including Head of Year and Head of Faculty. I am currently embracing a new challenge as an English teacher at Newlands Girls' School. I am passionate about education and have seen first-hand the life-changing opportunities that a high-quality education can provide for young people.

With a background in Performing Arts, I am excited to support Furze Platt's creative curriculum. I believe that access to the arts is vital for students and can have a profound impact on their confidence, wellbeing and future prospects. I am particularly looking forward to attending the school's productions and concerts.

Outside of work, I enjoy reading and have recently joined a book club, which is helping me broaden my own literary horizons. I also love travelling, making the most of my National Trust card with visits to beautiful places, and going on long walks. Keeping active at the gym is another favourite way to unwind.



Simon Tse – Appointed Governor

After circa 40 years of working in senior roles in the Financial Services industry, I have taken a step back and can now do some of the things that I have always wanted to do. This includes being a school governor and I feel privileged to have been appointed as such at Furze Platt Senior School this year. I have lived in Maidenhead for over 30 years, my wife is a teacher here and both my daughters have been to local schools. I feel passionate about the need to provide all children with the best education possible so that they can meet their full potential and have a solid foundation for when they leave school. I look forward to using my experience and skills to help the school and its staff provide this.

I have recently started as a volunteer at East Berks Citizens Advice. In my spare time I enjoy a little bit of golf, a little bit of jogging / gym time and probably a little too much good food and wine.



Jenny Knight – Governance Manager

I joined FPSS in January 2019 and have very much enjoyed the experience of getting to know the school and its governors. My role is to manage all the paperwork for governors' meetings, including committees and the Full Governing Body as well as additional panels and working groups. In addition, I organise governor training and school visits, policy approvals, strategy sessions and inductions for new governors.

I have two children and spend some of my spare time singing with Cantorum Choir in Cookham. I love classical music, walking, swimming and baking – as well as escaping to Cornwall or Scotland whenever I can.

