



Roy Apps

I am currently the Chair of Governors at Cawston CE Primary Academy. I'm a parent of two children at the school and I became a Parent Governor in autumn 2016. Like many families with children at Cawston, we live outside of the school catchment area and aren't regular church-goers, and I'm glad of the chance to bring different viewpoints to our board meetings. I work in IT management and I help the board with reviewing the school website. My statistical focus also helps with assessing the academic results at the school. I'm pleased to be chair of a diverse and committed team of Governors who are exceptionally welcoming, particularly to someone like myself who doesn't have a teaching background. It's a very rewarding experience, being a Governor, and it is a great chance to support the School and help our children fulfil their potential.



Rev'd Andrew Whitehead

We arrived in Cawston in 2015, coming from Clitheroe in Lancashire. As Vicar of the parish, I have a special responsibility for the spiritual life of the school and come into school often to lead collective worship and to help with the delivery of the RE curriculum. I became a governor just before the school became a DNEAT academy and I am the Vice Chair of the local governing body. I also chair the Resources Committee and the Ethos & Community Committee.

Before ministry in the church, I worked in Higher Education as a manager in the Estates Department of Lancaster University; a role which has provided much useful experience for my work in the church and in school, as we try to work creatively to make our ageing buildings serve today's community.



Sharon Brett

I trained to teach in Nottingham before returning home to Norfolk where I have been teaching for over 20 years. I joined Cawston Primary in 2008 as a part-time teacher whilst I raised my young family. I became staff governor in 2011, with experience of being a Parent governor at Drayton Infant School, for four years prior to this. As a science specialist I was thrilled with the opportunities that our wonderful school grounds could offer and have worked with the children and staff to enhance these areas winning several monetary awards to help us develop them further. My role has developed over the years to my current position of Assistant Headteacher. I have worked with staff, governors and more recently DNEAT on our journey of providing the best education for all.



Russ Black

I am currently a parent governor at Cawston CE Primary Academy which has been attended by 2 of my children since moving to the area in 2015. Soon after my children started attending, the family friendly and supportive culture of the school became clear, so when a vacancy for parent governor was announced in the autumn of 2017 I offered to become more involved to give some support back to the school. I have found the governor review meetings to be strongly centred on betterment of the school with the broad spectrum of academic, religious and cultural perspectives working to improve outcomes. I hope to be able to support the school in its journey through the next phase of its development, bringing some of the transferable skills from transformation and programme delivery that occupy my work environment. My short time as governor has been a huge learning curve but the opportunity to support enhanced outcomes and improvements for all has been richly rewarding.



Deborah Boldero

I have been associated with Cawston Primary since 1988, when my eldest daughter began school, and served on the PTA & Friends Committee until 2014, when I retired after teaching here for 17 years. Throughout that time, I contributed to providing a varied and interesting education for all pupils, whatever their needs or abilities. I joined the Governing Board as Assistant Head in 2009 and continued as a governor after retiring. My purpose is to support the creative and forward-thinking attitudes shown by the Staff working with DNEAT, as they shape a curriculum that is right for our school community. I currently Chair the Standards Committee, whose aim is to achieve the best possible outcomes for all pupils.



Amanda Cameron-Heffer

I have been a governor at Cawston Primary for about 14 years, initially as a Parent Governor when my three children were at school. I became a Staff Governor when I took on the role of School Secretary and then a Trust Governor when we converted to Academy status in September 2016. During this time we have been through many changes and developments. As a committed member of Cawston Parish Church and previous Churchwarden, I am able to foster the strong links between the church and the academy. As part of a supportive, yet challenging Local Governing Body I look forward to working in this role as Cawston CE Primary Academy develops further and continually works to improve standards of or our pupils.



Alan Fairchild

My wife, Lyn, and I have lived in Cawston for over 40 years. My daughter attended Cawston Primary, which was then and still is an excellent centre of learning. Having been asked to become a Trust Governor in 2017, I have focused on the safety and well-being of pupils alongside the condition of the school buildings, their repair and improvement and the facilities available to the Headteacher and the staff. I spent my working life in local government as Town Clerk and Finance Officer and am conscious of the budget constraints placed on public services by central governments but hope I can use my experience to ensure that Cawston Primary Academy is adequately funded and continues to provide children with a high standard of primary education in a safe and friendly environment.



Kay Swann

My teaching career began in Sept 1978 and took me from Norfolk to Hertfordshire, Scotland, France, Hungary and back to Norfolk when I joined the teaching staff at Cawston Primary in January 1995. My two children also attended this primary school. For two years I worked for Norfolk LA as a Literacy Advisor but returned to Cawston and became staff governor as the Deputy Headteacher in 2002. I have remained on the governing body since I was appointed as Headteacher in Sept 2008. I value the opportunity to work with the governors and DNEAT to secure excellent provision for our pupils at Cawston CE Primary Academy.