**GOVERNOR PROFILES**

**2017-18**

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| **Andrew Wing** | Andy is a partner in a firm of Chartered Accountants, also able to draw on his legal background to bring a particular skill set to the Board of Governors. He has three children, one who has now left the school and moved up to Tavistock College, one currently at the school and the youngest will start in a couple of years. |
| **Caroline Down** | Caroline has been a governor at Tavistock Community Primary and Nursery School for many years, having first joined in the summer of 2005. She took leave for a few years after the birth of her third child in 2009 and rejoined the governing body in 2014, becoming Chair in September 2015.  She has one daughter still at the school and two children who have been through the Primary and have now moved onto Tavistock College. She is also the SEN governor and has a personal interest in that area as two of her children have additional needs.   Caroline is also a qualified youth worker and has worked with young people for over 15 years- she currently works for Devon Youth Service as part of the community team and as a youth worker at Tavistock Youth Cafe.   In her spare time she walks her dog Nelson who can often be seen outside the school gates, (the hungry looking black Labrador). She loves Star Wars, supports Tottenham and she has been known to bake the odd cake or two..... |
| **Craig Holt** | Craig has a BEd in Primary Education and Science from the University of Plymouth and is a year 3 teacher at Tavistock Community Primary and Nursery School. He is also the head of years 3 and 4 and co-ordinator for the teaching of computing for the school. With over 6 years of teaching experience, including being paediatric first aid trained, Craig has also completed a leadership programme run by the school’s co-operative trust.  Craig worked as a graphic designer and a print manager for 5 years prior to starting at the University of Plymouth and whilst at University he was lucky enough to teach abroad in America, the Czech Republic and Gambia.  Craig has played football at county level and currently plays for Tavistock's reserve football team. He enjoys keeping fit; running, badminton, walking, football and going to the gym and is looking forward to getting married next year. |
| **Cristel Worth** | I am a mother of a child at Tavistock Community Primary School and have seen another through Tavistock Community Primary School from years 4 to 6.  I trained and qualified as a Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator and Thrive Practitioner and dedicated five, of my professional working years, to fulfilling the role of Deputy Manager at a rural Dartmoor based Pre-School.  I thoroughly enjoy helping children with developmental needs and more broadly, I have excellent attention to detail, I am very patient and I enjoy working through challenges and finding solutions.  In my personal time, I enjoy spending time with my family among the rolling hills of Dartmoor and jogging. |
| **Darren Newland** | Darren is currently the Practice Manager of Abbey Surgery in Tavistock and Bere Alston. He has worked in the NHS for over 16 years navigating the political changes etc. Previously he worked in retail for travel agents and covered lots of training areas such as marketing, finance, human resources, human psychology, effective management, sales techniques, Train the Trainer and so on which also helps with his current governor role as Deputy Chair.  Darren also holds a National Community Sports Leader Certificate and is a first aider including Basic Life Support which includes been trained to use defibrillators.  Darren has two children and is their taxi driver. |
| **Harriett Roberts** | Harriett became a parent governor in September 2017 and has two sons at Tavistock Community Primary School – as well as a young baby at home.  Originally from Ireland, Harriett has worked in the charity sector for over 15 years, including for Oxfam, Alzheimer’s Society and, currently, Tiny Tickers as their Head of Fundraising & Communications. She is also a Board member and International Treasurer for a Ugandan education charity.  With three children under 6, spare time is tricky to find but, when she can, Harriett enjoys running, reading, current affairs and travelling. |
| **Jolene Taylor** | Jo has over 10 years experience in the legal sector, working with vulnerable children and adults diagnosed with a variety of mental health conditions. Jo is a local business owner and has a passion for all things health and fitness related.  Jo has one daughter that currently attends the school. |
| **Liam Cottrell** | Liam has over 15 Years of experience as a Legionella Control Specialist and over 3 years as a local business owner. He has a Nebosh General Certificate in Occupational Health & Safety and full membership of the Water Management Society (WMsoc). Liam is also a Microsoft Certified Systems Administratorandhispersonal interests include photography, sports and spending time with his wife and three young children. |
| **Lisa Piper** | Lisa has over 10 year media experience working in the Newspaper and Radio industry. She has strong links with both local and regional media outlets. For the past 7 years she has been involved in Tavistock Business Improvement District and has been Bid Manager for the last 5 years which involves lobbying on behalf of businesses, event management, project management, managing budgets and trouble shooting. Lisa has developed relationships with all local organisations, businesses and local authorities. |
| **Louise Clements** | Louise has a BSc in Sociology & Social Psychology and is a Communication Consultant for businesses, government organisations and charities including public consultation, internal communications and change management.  Louise has created, run and sold a number of businesses in the tourist, communications and property sectors, is a Justice of the Peace, a member of the Youth Panel dealing with offenders under 18 and a Lay Member of the Bar Standards Board tribunal panel. Louise was also a member of the Advisory Board for the Exeter Public Relations degree delivered at Marjon. |
| **Lynnette Selbie** | Lynnette has a BEd Hons degree from Exeter University via Marjons – subjects English and History. Her family background is in small business – greengrocery, confectionery, wines and spirits, cinema and theatre.  Lynnette’s teaching career since 1987 includes: Reception to Secondary age English and TEFL – in Egypt (tri-lingual reception children at private school), Sicily (secondary English and adult TEFL), Newham (10 years at 2 schools including roles as SENCo and Deputy Head - amalgamation of an infant and junior school to a 600 pupil school, 7 years as DHT Plymouth and first headship in Cornwall.  Lynnette Joined Tavistock Community Primary School in 2009 and her personal interests include reading, theatre, dance, walking the dog and skiing. She is also a mother of one daughter at University. |
| **Pat Dickinson** | Pat has a BA Combined Hons degree in Psychology, English and Education and a PGCE in Primary Education-3-11 years. She also holds a Principal’s Training Centre Certificate of International School Leadership and was an Early Childhood co-ordinator in St John’s International school, Waterloo, Belgium 1984-2009. With over 30 years of teaching experience including one year teaching English at secondary level, and two years teaching 9-10 year olds in UK, then 26 years teaching 3-7 year olds in an International School in Belgium, Pat also has experience of teaching and planning Primary Years’ Programme of the International Baccalaureate.  Pat was also a member of the European Council of International Schools Accreditation team (to inspect, compare and assess standards in International schools), and for 10 years a member of the European Council of International Schools Early Childhood Committee (for ages 3-8 years). During that time, Pat chaired the committee for 3 years and organised 3 (tri-annual) Early Childhood Educational conferences for approximately 500 multi-national teachers and speakers.  Pat has presented workshops on introducing Student –Led Portfolio Conferencing at St John’s International school, Belgium, the joint ECIS/NESA conference in Dubai and at St Dominic’s International school, Portugal.  Personal interests include reading, theatre and travel and she volunteers as an Educational Assistant and Receptionist at Cotehele NT, is a member of St Andrew’s Whitchurch, WI and of Tavy District U3A. Pat is also a mother of two sons and grandmother to two granddaughters. |