

## Meet the Local Governing Board

## Where every child counts



I am proud to be recently appointed Executive Headteacher at Pickhurst Academy and am looking forward to working with the Pickhurst Academy Local Governing Board as the school continues its journey.

I have been Headteacher at Darrick Wood Infant & Nursery School for the past 14 years and have served on their Local Governing Board, the entire time from when I first joined as Deputy Head in 2006.

Previous to this, I have been in Education for 24 years as a class teacher, SENCo, Senior Leader, Deputy Headteacher and Headteacher. I have also supported other schools with SEND and safeguarding. I am very proud of all of our achievements here at Pickhurst Academy. It will be a great pleasure working with such a committed staff team and such wonderful children and their families.



I am thoroughly enjoying my role as Parent Governor at Pickhurst Academy. Primarily I wanted to get involved because I am mum to three boys within the Trust and I want them to have the opportunity to thrive and reach their potential at Pickhurst Academy.

I hope to be able to represent other parents to make sure that school provides the best possible opportunities and experiences for all our children.

I have been a Director of Finance for over 15 years now, specialising in the education sector providing Teacher CPD training, support and accreditations for schools non-curricular provisions. I hope that my experience can prove useful as a member of the Governing body.

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I am delighted to be offered the opportunity to become a Parent Governor and look forward to contributing and helping Pickhurst Academy continue to build the future with and for our leaders of tomorrow.

I have 17 years of educational background and am currently working as a Deputy Headteacher in a local Bromley Primary School. My role includes school improvement, developing the curriculum for all learners as well as being Designated Safeguarding Lead. I have a key role in appraisals, pupil progress reviews and teaching and learning reviews so I am used to effective data analysis and asking questions to ensure that progress of all children is central to decisions made within the school.

In the role of governor, I would like the opportunity to support the school team in continuing to ensure that Pickhurst Academy is a place where children thrive and will be ready for their next educational journey.



I am currently Head of Capital Projects at University of Greenwich, leading a team of 20 people, developing and delivering the university's Estates Strategic Plan.

I am a proficient and dynamic leader, qualified Architect with a Masters of Project Management. I have a range of experience from senior to executive management, highly people focused with experience in creating and inspiring teams to deliver exceptional and outstanding results.

I am passionate about working in the education sector and have two girls at Primary School. I would like to do all I can with my professional background to assist Pickhurst Academy to support its journey and growth for the future.



Staff Governor

I am currently teaching at Pickhurst Academy in Year 6, and am the Head of English at the school. I have spent the entirety of my teaching career at Pickhurst Academy since starting my NQT year in 2016 and am proud to have adopted the ethos and values of the school into every aspect of my classroom practice.

I have taught across Key Stage 2 in the Upper and Lower School and am already familiar with a majority of pupils and parents inside our school community.

I am very excited about my role as Staff Governor and am keen to be working alongside our staff, families, and our community.



Annelisa MacDonald, Community Governor

I have lived in West Wickham all my life and have always known Pickhurst Academy to be a high-performing school. Both my children enjoyed their time at the nursery based on the Pickhurst grounds, and I am excited to have been given the opportunity to serve as a Community Governor.

Having spent most of my career in the Finance Division at Morgan Stanley, predominantly in Capital Management and Relationship Management positions, I am now the Finance Manager of a local independent school. I am a qualified Accountant and have also gained managerial and operational experience during my working life.

I believe that primary school is the most important stage of a child's education; the firm foundations laid down at this age give children the tools and confidence to make successful choices about their own futures. As a Governor, I hope to be able to contribute to the ongoing success of the school and thus enable the children of Pickhurst Academy to become the best versions of themselves.