



## Governor's Information 2024/25

The Royal Free Hospital Children's School is a maintained community special school and our Governing Body is guided by the Department of Education regulations and has three core functions:

- Holding the head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance and management of staff.
- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction.
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

The Governing Body of the Royal Free Hospital Children's School is made up of a variety of individuals from different backgrounds and professions, including the local community and businesses, the school community and the local council. Collectively they have the skills, connections and dynamics to support the school, working together in striving for high aspirations, the best education for all of our pupils and the job satisfaction for our staff.

This information gives the shared roles and responsibilities delegated to members, our attendance and any declared pecuniary interests.

Governor Members						Individual Governor Roles & Responsibilities			Pecuniary Interest		
Name	Type	Appointed/ elected by	Term		Attendance at meetings 2023/24	Committee			Employment/ Business	Personal	Governance/ Charity/trustee
			Length	End		Pastoral and Academic	Personnel, Finance & Premises	Link Governor roles			
<b>David Wilson</b>	Staff	Ex Officio			N/A	Member	Member		Royal Free Hospital Children's School		
<b>Susan Caesar</b>	Staff	Staff	May 2022	May 2026	7/8		Member		Royal Free Hospital Children's School		
<b>Jeremy Breaks</b>	Local Authority	Local authority	July 2021	Nov 2025	5/8		Member (Chair)	Fundraising and Publicity	Executive Search Consultant at MWM Consulting	MA, PPE	
<b>Dr. Nicky Rogal (Chair)</b>	Parent	Parents	Mar 2021	Mar 2025	7/8	Member		Creative Arts		Chartered Psychologist PhD, MSC ACAT, Teacher Therapist	
<b>Miriam Ashwell (Joint Vice Chair)</b>	Co-opted	Governing body	July 2022	July 2026	11/11	Member (Chair)	Member	Progress and Attainment	Physicist	NSC Physical and Health Studies, BSC Physics and Maths, PG Dip Theoretical Physics, Gardening, Coding, Physics Research	Treasurer of Caledonian Park Friends Group
<b>Virginia Barry (Joint Vice Chair)</b>	Co-opted	Governing body	July 2022	July 2026	8/8		Member (Chair)		Media Consultant	MBA, MA, BA	Board of The Literary Consulting

<b>Gill Hyatt</b>	Co-opted	Governing body	March 2022	March 2026	7/8		Member	Healthy Schools	Volunteer Team Manager RF Charity	
	Co-opted	Governing Body					Member			
<b>Diana Goldin</b>	Co-opted	Governing body	Dec 2023	Dec 2027	3/5			SEN & Safeguarding	Family & Systemic Psychotherapist	
<b>Michael Shew</b>	Associate	Governing body	July 2024	July 2028	1/5				Education Consultant	Creative Writing
<b>Natalie White</b>	Co-opted	Governing Body	July 2021	July 2025	7/8	Member			Head of Camden Virtual School for LAC	
<b>Lisa Davies</b>	Parent	Governing Body	July 2023	July 2027	7/8	Member				
<b>Saayoub Izaz</b>	Co-opted	Governing Body	July 2023	July 2027	8/8		Member		Elective Care Improvement Manager, St Barts Trust	

*NB. Governor members for appeal panels for exclusions complaints, staff disciplinary and grievances are selected on an ad hoc basis in alphabetical order of surname, unless there is a prejudicial conflict.*

#### Other Members

**Graham Watson** Clerk

**Kaysen Pyndiah** Accountant

#### Governors stepped down this academic year

**Alex Yates** Staff July 2024

**Peter Lachman** Co-opted July 2024

**Roger Bernheim** Co-opted July 2024