

GOVERNING BODY OF TRAFALGAR INFANT SCHOOL.

Our Governing Body consists of a possible 12 members and operates with a committee structure for 2025/2026. This documents governor attendance over the period 2025/2026 noting that we have not operated at maximum Board size, whilst we have been recruiting new Parent and Co-opted Governors.

The core functions of our governing body, as set out in The School Governance (Roles, Procedures and Allowances) (England) Regulations 2013, are:

- ensuring that the vision, ethos and strategic direction of the school are clearly defined;
- ensuring that the head teacher performs his or her responsibilities for the educational performance of the school; and
- ensuring the sound, proper and effective use of the school's financial resources.

The statutory purpose of the Governing Body is to promote high standards of educational achievement at the school.

The day to day management of the school is the responsibility of the Headteacher and staff, whereas the governors are responsible for the general direction of the school and providing a strategic overview.

The Governing Body acts as a critical friend to the school and ensures accountability, whilst considering the interests of children, parents and staff. It makes decisions about curriculum, finance, staffing and premises matters, to help raise standards of achievement and to make sure that the school provides a good quality education for all of our pupils.

NB: Committees: Assets and Resources (A&R) and Pupil Progress and Curriculum (PPC)

Full name of Governor	Governor Category	Date of current Appointment or Election and Term of office	Source of Appointment (where appropriate)	Roles within GB	Attendance at full GB Meetings*	Committee membership	Attendance at committee meetings*	Declarations on register of business & pecuniary interest / details of governorships at other schools	Remarks
Miss Fiona Hickie	Headteacher	01/09/2023	N/A	Headteacher	7 of 7	All	A&R: 6 of 6 PPC: 3 of 3	None	
Mrs Sarah Brockhurst	Co-Opted Governor	01/01/22 (4 years) Term ended 31/12/25		Chair until end of August 2025	3 of 3	A&R	2 of 2	None	Original appointment 18/03/2018
Ms Lizzie Cotton	Staff	25/09/2025	Elected by staff	Early Years Governor	7 of 7	PPC	7 of 7		

Mrs Holly Prescott	Co-opted	10/07/24 (4 years)	Appointed by Governing Body	Co-Chair of PPC Early Years Link Governor	4 of 7	PPC	2 of 3	Works at Mid Sussex Active (MSA) but no current working relationship with the school.	Original appointment 13/07/20
Mrs Sam Picknell	Chair of Governors Co-opted	11/05/22 (4 years) Term ends 31/8/2026	Elected Chair by Governing Body Sept 2025 for 1 year term	Chair of A&R Committee Finance Link Governor	5 of 7	A&R	6 of 6	None	
Miss Leigh Waring	Co-opted	15/05/23 (4 years) Resigned Jan 2026	Appointed by Governing Body	Co-Chair of PPC Data Link Governor	1 of 3	PPC	0 of 1	None	Resigned Jan 2026
Mr Richard King	Parent	18/10/2023 (4 years)	Elected uncontested by parent/carers	Safeguarding Governor H&S Governor	7 of 7	PPC	3 of 3	None	
Mrs Lauren Jackson	Parent	25/11/2024 (4 years)	Elected uncontested by parent/carers	Data Governor	5 of 7	A&R	4 of 6	None	
Mrs Sue Ware	Co-Opted	19/03/2025 (4 years)	Appointed by Governing Body	SEND & Inclusion Governor	7 of 7	PPC	2 of 3	None	Resigned Aug 2026
Mrs Tracy-Anne Swaffer	Local Authority	20/05/2025 (4 years)	Appointed by Local Authority		6 of 7	A&R	5 of 6	Works at West Sussex County council but no current working role with the school	
Mrs Rebecca Spiers	Co-opted	26/11/2025 (4 Years)	Appointed by Governing Body	Attendance Link Governor	3 of 4	PPC	2 of 3		
Full name of Associate Member	Committee Membership	Voting rights Yes/No	Date of Appointment	Term of Office/Role on committee	Attendance at committee Meetings*	Attendance at full GB meetings*	Declarations on register of business & pecuniary interest and details of governorships at other schools		Remarks
None									

*Attendance during previous academic year to 31/8/2026