

Stoughton Local Governing Board

Name	Role	Biography
Sarah Carrington	Executive Headteacher	Sarah qualified as a primary teacher in 2002 and spent 16 years at the same school undertaking a variety of roles from subject leadership, Assistant Headteacher with responsibility of Key Stage 2 and in the latter years she was the school's SENCO and Deputy Headteacher. Sarah also worked as a Specialist Leader in Education (SLE), supporting schools with initial teaching training and provision for special education needs. The SLE role progressed into two secondments as an Interim Headteacher which was a fantastic professional development, alongside the national professional qualification for headship (NPQH), for her current role as Headteacher. Sarah is also the Headteacher of Northmead Junior School.
Sophie Lewis	Chair of Governors Community	Sophie is a mum to 4 young children. She qualified as a primary school teacher in 2004. She has taught in both key stages and has taken on many roles in subject leadership and school leadership. She joined Stoughton in 2010 and ran a special needs unit for children from local schools who required support with their behaviour, social and emotional development. Since 2017 Sophie has taken a break from teaching to become a full time carer for her eldest daughter. Sophie is the SEND link governor for Stoughton and is passionate about ensuring all children with Special educational needs are well supported. As well as being a governor Sophie has recently taken up a new volunteer role as a befriender for a national charity with the aim of providing emotional support to families.
Rich Bee	Vice Chair of Governors Parent	Rich joined the LGB in October 2022. He taught secondary Computing & ICT for 10 years, both in the UK and internationally, before transitioning into digital communications and software development. He now supports charity fundraisers to improve outcomes through more effective use of digital tools, which he thinks is more fun than it sounds. When not juggling work and two boys, Rich enjoys singing, playing the guitar and riding a bicycle, not usually all at the same time. He believes that it is impossible to over-value a great education and that teachers and support staff do a phenomenal job every single day. He is committed to championing school staff at every available opportunity.
Linda Blake-James	Community	Linda qualified as a solicitor in 1970 and was called to the Bar in 1973. She worked as a barrister until 1994 when she took Silk. She was Circuit Judge from 2009 until 2018 and is now retired. Her fields of work were children, care cases, crime, mental health, professional negligence and personal injury.
Robin Holdsworth	Community	Robin joined as a governor in November 2020. He is a Chartered Chemist who worked in the construction industry in the Middle and Far East as well as Europe. He obtained an MBA whilst working in Spain. During his time in Dubai he was involved with the setting up of Jumeirah English Speaking School. Since returning to the UK, he set up a practical training scheme for civil engineering undergraduates. He passionately believes that good education for young children shapes their future lives.
Julia Solly	Community	Julia joined the LGB in October 2022. Julia qualified as a Social Worker in 2008 and spent her first five years

		post-qualification working in local authorities in their Child Protection and Child in Need teams. For the past 10 years, she has worked in her current role for CAFCASS where she provides safeguarding advice within private law court proceedings. When the youngest of her two boys joined Reception in 2022, she volunteered to join the LGB in the hope that her experience could further support the school in continuing to provide a positive educational experience for the children where they feel safe, supported, and valued.
Marie-Elodie Fardin	Parent	Marie-Elodie joined the LGB in October 2022. Marie graduated from a Business School of Management (iéseg, France) in 2006 and has since been working in Technology departments helping with Digital transformations. She joined the Financial Times in 2012 and has been acting as a Product Manager involved in launching various new products to help them grow their subscriptions business and is now involved in transforming systems used by Internal Teams to make them more efficient. She is a mum of two boys aged 7 and 5 , enjoys running and waterskiing. She has reached a point in her career/ life where she feels she could give back to the community and as a mum of two young kids, she is interested in helping Schools achieve the best they can.
Simone Ralph	Staff	Simone is an accountant with over 15 years of experience in accounting in both the financial services and commercial products industries. She brings both her accountancy and project implementation experience to the school. Simone joined Stoughton in January 2021 after 18 months at Northmead Junior School. She joined as a governor in September 2021. Simone is passionate about serving the school community through her role at the school.