

Park Lane Prímary & Nursery School

Executive Head: Rob Litten **Deputy Executive Head:** Rachel Bains

Tuesday 28th February 2023



Dear Parent/Carer,

I have recently accepted the invitation to become Park Lane Primary & Nursery School Chair of Governors. I am writing you this letter to introduce myself! I am not a model and reluctantly included my photo with this letter, so you can put a face to the name.

Since moving my ministry to Whittlesey last September, it is fair to say I love the people and this community. It continues to be a pleasure for me to minister to people as a Salvation Army Officer. I have done this now for 20 years in various places across the UK. Last summer, I

changed my appointment from a big Salvation Army church to Whittlesey a much smaller and less stressful Salvation Army! Whittlesey Salvation Army had in fact been closed for a while and had no congregation left!

I have been busy reopening the Salvation Army as a place for the community to meet each other and get creative doing art and crafts of various kinds. The Studio is a place for anyone to concentrate on wellbeing and recovery through art and craft activities. You can find The Studio on Church Street.

School governors are volunteers responsible for overseeing the management side of a school. In particular, we ensure there is accountability for decisions made, oversee key decisions and performance, and assure the school is operating to its best. Essentially, we help enable the school to run as effectively as possible by meeting with senior leaders as we are keen to support teachers to provide a good education.

Previously, Sally Collier was Deputy Chair acting as Chair. She has volunteered for many years in one way or another for the school. I am pleased to say she is still on the governing body and will be for as long as we can keep her! You may likely still spot her on visits to the school.

You can find out more about the governing body on the school website – there is a page all about us https://www.parklaneprimary.com/page/?title=Governing+Body&pid=22

If you would like to contact the school governors about anything you can do so via the school office, in person, by phone or email. My school email address is: LChaundy@parklaneprimary.com. However, school governors are not the first point of call and if you have a concern I must express you must have approached your child's class teacher in the first instance, then if needed a senior leader or with the headteacher.

If you see me around, I am the curly haired one, with a Geordie accent, often wearing something identifying my work for The Salvation Army (red shield logo) – please introduce yourself. I love to chat!

Yours sincerely

Lorraine Chaundy

Chair of Governors