



Peover Superior Endowed Primary School

Local Academy Committee

2018 to 2019

Our Local Academy Committee is chaired by Mr William Montgomery and they, along with the Principal, are responsible for the strategic direction of the school. This includes developing school policies, finance, ethos, vision and curriculum.

LAC meetings are held once every half term. The LAC is made up of a number of people with a variety of backgrounds and they were either, nominated, elected, or co-opted onto the governing body. If you would like to contact Mr Montgomery, please enquire within school.

All the governors make regular visits to school. A typical visit may include speaking to the children and staff, looking at different aspects of teaching and learning such as behaviour and over-seeing Health and Safety, Special Educational Needs and Safeguarding.

LAC Members:

Mr William Montgomery: Chair

Mr Jim Croxton: Vice Chair

Mrs Jane Shaw

Mrs Julie Hulme

Mrs Ellis-Stansfield

Mrs Lisa Hesmondhalgh

Please see the Peover Superior website for further information about the Local Academy Committee.

WHO ARE THE PEOVER ENDOWED PRIMARY SCHOOL ACADEMY COMMITTEE?

Will Montgomery



Prior to my retirement my working life was spent in education, much of it at a senior level in secondary schools. I began my career at Sir John Deane's Grammar School and then taught at several Cheshire comprehensive schools before becoming a headteacher in Lancashire and later in Stockport.

I live in Macclesfield where both my children attended state primary and secondary schools. Having two young grandchildren, I remain keenly aware of the importance of a good primary school which gives youngsters the best possible start to their lifelong learning. I will do all that I can to support Peover Superior Primary School as it continues to do this vital work at the heart of its rural community.

Jim Croxton



We have had two children in the school one left for high school and one currently year 6 and I have been a governor since June 2014. We live in Chelford and have been in the area for around 8 years. I am chief executive of a members association and have worked for committee-run organisations for all my working life: therefore I have a good understanding of how a volunteer board of governors should function, where they can provide the professional staff with support and what value they can bring to the school. Outside of work I coach both junior football and junior rugby at local clubs in an effort to make up for my outstanding lack of talent as a sportsman!

Lisa Hesmondhalgh



I have had the pleasure of being the Headteacher of Peover Superior Endowed Primary School since September 2013. Being the Head of a very small, rural school in Cheshire is a diverse role, and involves a teaching commitment as well as all the other duties of the post.

Previously I worked in a large primary school in Wigan as Assistant Head teacher, working across each Primary Phase from Year 1 to Year 6. I also have experience of working with children with complex special educational needs in a special school and was one of the very first Advanced Skills Teachers for primary education in Wigan.

I am proud to have led our school from strength the strength; Peover is now one of the top performing schools in Cheshire East. Recently I have been accredited as a Local Leader or Education for the Chimney House Alliance and an Evidence Lead in Education for the Aspirer Research School. I am also seconded as the Director of English for the Aspire Educational Trust and enjoy supporting other schools.

In my spare time I like to keep fit and I relish a challenge, being a bit of an adrenaline junkie. I really enjoy being outdoors, am a keen cyclist and love winter sports, an interest I share with my family whenever I get the chance. I also love music: I play the piano, flute and several other musical instruments. I have a very diverse taste in music – Peover Superior Endowed Primary School is never without song!

Amy Ellis-Stansfield



My name is Amy Ellis-Stansfield and I am a born and bred farmer's girl from the heart of Cheshire! After completing my A levels I decided to take a year out from education and travel around the world. I found myself settled in a little village on the slopes of Kilimanjaro in Tanzania and this is where I had my very first experience of teaching. To say it was a challenge would be an understatement! I was shocked on my first day when I was put in front of a class of 65 eager children with not even a piece of chalk to write with! Teaching classes every day with no resources or technology was a real challenge. However, the children in Africa really valued their education and I came back convinced I wanted to be a teacher.

After completing my degree in Primary Education with QTS (qualified teacher status) at Sheffield Hallam University I secured my first teaching post at an outstanding school in Macclesfield. During my three years at the school I took a lead role in developing mathematics within the school and also supported partnerships with parents. In April 2014 my then Headteacher sent me on a secondment to Peover Superior to teach Class 2 until the end of the summer term. After a challenging but really fun term at the school I decided that I wanted to stay and accepted a permanent position at the school. I've been a teacher for four years now and really enjoy the new challenges and exciting opportunities that teaching brings.

I applied for the position of "Teacher Governor" at Peover Superior Primary School because I want to contribute to shaping the future of our pupils' lives and providing them with the best educational opportunities. The special thing about Peover is that, being a small school, means that staff, parents and governors know each other well and are all part of a big family!



Jane Shaw

I moved to Over Peover with my husband Jim, daughter Hannah (currently in Year 6) and mischievous labrador at the end of 2015. I grew up and went to school in Altrincham before moving to London to study and then work.

Up to three years ago I'd spent my working life developing supply chains for large manufacturing organisations with much of my time was spent travelling to Central and Eastern Europe, but then I decided a complete change was needed!

I subsequently retrained as a Teaching Assistant and was lucky enough to work with children in every primary school year, from pre-school up to Year Six. I currently work at a local private day nursery with the pre-school children which is hugely rewarding.

I believe that my experience across these very different sectors, as well as my passion as a mother to support all of our children so that they thrive in their formative years, will place me in a good position to carry out my new role as a parent governor.

Outside work, as a fairly new member of our village I'm thoroughly enjoying finding new dog-walking routes in the fabulous countryside. I love to cook, try out new restaurants, travel, practice my rusty German and French and play the clarinet (badly!)

Julie Hulme



I have lived in Cheshire for over 18 years, relocating to get married to Martin who already lived in Knutsford, we now live in Mobberley with our 15 year old son Harry and the newly arrived Tommy our black Labrador puppy of 14 weeks!

My career to date has been in senior Human Resources roles in both private and public sector organisations. However, since my son was born I set up and run my own HR & Business Consultancy.....striving for work life balance whilst supporting organisations to achieve its ambitions through the introduction of people initiatives.

I applied for the role of School Governor as I am keen to utilise my skills and experience in other areas such as the every changing Education sector. Other organisations where I volunteer include being a Trustee for a not for profit charity, Puppy Walking for Guide Dogs and helping out at a Dementia Café in Macclesfield.

I am passionate that every individual has the potential to achieve within an organisation and I believe that this starts right back starts with our early year's education and beyond.

I am looking forward to supporting the existing team with making Peover Superior an even better Primary School than it already is!