



**STAPLEHURST SCHOOL**  
**GOVERNOR INFORMATION & DUTIES**

Governor Name & Category	Term of Office & Appointing Body	Board/Committee Roles	Attendance Record 2024-25*	Declaration of Business Interests	Other Educational Establishments Governed	Relationship with school staff (including spouse, partners & relatives)	Date Declaration Signed
<b>CURRENT GOVERNORS</b>							
<b>Lucy Davenport</b> Headteacher Governor	01.02.19 – n/a Ex Officio	FGB & member of F&P, L&D committees	FGB: 7 out of 8 F&P: 4 out of 4 L&D: 4 out of 4	None	None	None	16.09.25
<b>Martin Watson</b> Co-opted Governor	08.02.22 – 07.02.26 Governing Body	F&P committee Finance gov.	FGB: 4 out of 8 F&P: 2 out of 4	None	None	None	07.10.25
<b>Ryan Cox</b> Co-opted Governor	04.10.22 – 03.10.26 Governing Body	<b>Vice Chair of the Governing Body</b> <b>Chair of F&amp;P</b> F&P committee EYFS Gov.	FGB: 8 out of 8 F&P: 4 out of 4	None	None	None	15.09.25
<b>Sarah Stribbling-Williams</b> Co-opted Governor	28.11.23 – 27.11.27 Governing Body	<b>Chair of the Governing Body</b> <b>Chair of L&amp;D</b> L&D Committee Training & Development Gov.	FGB: 8 out of 8 L&D: 4 out of 4	None	Boughton Monchelsea Primary School	None	11.09.25
<b>Laura Sands</b> Parent Governor	19.12.24 – 18.12.28 Parent Body	L&D Committee	FGB: 5 out of 5 L&D: 1 out of 1	Employed by Coppice Trust	None	None	14.09.25

<b>Lauren Mercier</b> Co-opted Governor	08.01.25 – 07.01.29 Governing Body	F&P Committee	FGB: 5 out of 5 F&P: 2 out of 2	None	None	None	16.09.25
<b>Jane Syred</b> Local Authority Governor (previously co-opted governor)	25.11.25 – 24.11.29 Local Authority	L&D Committee	FGB: 3 out of 3 L&D: 1 out of 1	None	Headstart School	None	03.09.25
<b>Rebecca Page</b> Co-opted Governor (previously Associate Member)	16.09.25 – 15.09.29 Governing Body	L&D Committee	FGB: 1 out of 3 L&D: 1 out of 1	None	None	None	03.09.25
<b>Jodi Turner</b> Staff Governor	14.07.25 – 13.07.29 Staff election	L&D Committee	n/a	tbc	tbc	tbc	16.09.25
<b>Harriet Barton-Ward</b> Parent Governor	26.11.25 – 25.11.29 Parent Body	tbc	n/a	None	None	None	10.12.25
<b>Kelly McLean</b> Co-opted Governor (previously Parent Governor)	16.12.25 – 15.12.29 Governing Body	F&P Committee	n/a	Councillor, Staplehurst PC PTA Chair	None	None	
<b>Co-opted Governor vacancy</b>							
<b>FORMER GOVERNORS (WITHIN LAST 12 MONTHS)</b>							
<b>Kelly McLean</b> Parent Governor	19.10.21 – 18.10.25 Parent Election	F&P committee PE Gov.	FGB: 8 out of 8 F&P: 4 out of 4	Councillor, Staplehurst PC PTA Chair	None	None	14.09.24
<b>Béatrice Boulant</b> Co-opted Governor	19.03.24 – 30.09.25 (Resigned) Governing Body	English Gov.	FGB: 4 out of 8	None	None	None	01.10.24
<b>Chris Gooch</b> Co-opted Governor	21.05.22 – 29.08.25	<b>Chair of the Governing Body</b>	FGB: 5 out of 8 F&P: 4 out of 4	None	None	None	19.09.24

	(Resigned) Governing Body	F&P committee Health & Safety Gov.					
<b>Rory Silkin</b> LA Governor	19.03.24 – 29.08.25 (Resigned) Local Authority	<b>Chair of L&amp;D</b> L&D committee Safeguarding Gov. SEN Gov.	FGB: 7 out of 8 L&D: 3 out of 4	Chair of Ttees of Staplehurst Community Ctr Spouse is partner at Warners LLP	None	None	02.09.24
<b>Clare Chembalipuram</b> Staff Governor	14.07.21- 13.07.25 Staff Election	L&D committee Community Gov.	FGB: 4 out of 8 L&D: 4 out of 4	None	None	None	01.10.24

\*The number of Full Governing Body or committee meetings that could have been attended whilst a serving governor

†Associate Members are not able to vote at Board level, although they do have full voting rights on the Committee(s) of which they are members

Abbreviations: FGB – Full Governing Body F&P – Finance & Premises committee L&D – Learning & Development committee PE – Physical Education PP – Pupil Premium SEND – Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

## Governance Structure

The Governing Body consists of 12 Governor roles as follows:

- 2 Parent Governors appointed by ballot of the parents at the school;
- 1 Local Authority Governor appointed by the Local Authority;
- 1 Staff Governor appointed by ballot of the staff;
- The Headteacher;
- 7 Co-opted Governors appointed by the Governing Body.

The FGB meets at least five times a year, the Finance & Premises and Learning & Development committees each meet four times a year.