Princetown- Meet the Governors



Sheila Manning (Co-opted Governor & Chair of Governors)

As Chair of Governors my role is to look at Strategy and Curriculum. I have lived in Princetown for 16 years and have become well integrated within the community. I was asked to become part of the PTFA of which I am now Secretary and then a short time later was asked to join the Governing board. I am now starting my fourth year as Chair of Governors, and I love it. To be part of our small school family is wonderful; it is a very happy, homely school and I am very proud of it. If I can do something to help in any way I will do it. I volunteer in school to help with reading, and I run a sewing club after school one afternoon a week. I love to be with the children watching them learn and grow. I have worked in the childcare sector all my adult life, in one area or another, alongside my paid employment as a Medical Secretary.

Emma Byrom (Head Teacher)



Gary Manning (Parent Governor)

I am a senior Royal Navy Officer with experience in leadership, management and training. I am pleased to be a parent governor at Princetown school staff, working with students and parents with the aim of supporting the school and holding to account the Head of School and the wider staff organisation. Having Commanded a Defence training establishment, I have experience of OFSTED and the associated governance requirements demanded of a training setting.



Samantha Piper (Parent Governor)

Hello! I am a mum of three children, two of which are attending Princetown Primary. I have been so encouraged and inspired by the amazing staff and volunteers here that I felt that I should toss my hat into the ring! I come from a background in adult health and social care, gaining an NVQ 4. I am an avid learner, and have qualifications spanning from First Aid, Health and Safety, one-to-one child SEND Development, up to my latest qualification as a Phlebotomist. If I don't know the answer to a question you might ask, you can rest assured that I will research and come back to you. Lastly, I'm not as scary as I look, I have a physical disability which causes me a lot of pain, so my resting face probably doesn't look too inviting! Don't be put off, I love talking to people! I am so excited to see where Princetown Primary takes their children next!

Laura Tabb (Co-opted Governor)

I have 21 years of experience of being a teacher and over 15 years of school leadership experience which I hope would be a useful asset to Princetown School's governing body. I would like to be able to develop my governor skills and work with schools locally.

Jonathan Tabb (Co-opted Governor)