

## The Eastwood Academy Local Governing Body

### Pen Portraits



**Marcia Carr** (Parent)

*My daughter joined Eastwood Academy this year, I am joining the Governing Board as a Parent Governor. I am also Vice Chair at The Fairways and Chair of the Music Service helping all our young people make music in Southend. In my professional life I work in Higher Education, training young people to enter the West End and Examining for LAMDA worldwide. I also work with National Youth Theatre and am Chair and Director of two Theatre Companies specialising in Educational Provision and producing high quality Arts for the Community, based in Grays.*



**Sarah Clements** (Parent)

*As the Headteacher of a local school, I have an appreciation of the current challenges facing education and welcome the opportunity to contribute to the school's continuous improvement.*

*Living and working in Southend, I have an understanding of our community's needs and aspirations. Committed to fostering academic excellence, inclusivity, and pupil well-being, I aim to support and challenge school leaders to realise their vision, 'supporting pupils to achieve beyond expectations'.*



**Gina Duke** (Parent)

*As a newly appointed member of the governing body, I am very much looking forward to playing an active role in the life of the school. It is a privilege to be collaborating with the incredible staff to give all children who attend The Eastwood Academy the opportunity to aspire and achieve their full potential.*



**Sarah Hawes** (Co-Opted)

*My name is Sarah Hawes. I am a Childrens' Nurse and after working within the acute setting, I now work as a Specialist School Nurse in Southend. I have a particular interest in Safeguarding and Emotional Wellbeing.*

*I have one daughter who has finished her journey at The Eastwood Academy and one daughter who currently attends. I wanted to become a parent governor, so I could gain a further insight into their education and play a role into ensuring that all pupils who attend the school have a positive experience.*

**Joy Joses-Mohamed** (Co-opted)

*I am proud to serve on the board as a parent governor. With two sons, one in Eastwood Academy and the other at Westcliff High School for Boys, I have a special interest in literacy and work as a communications director within the health sector.*



**Samantha Macdonald-Lane (Parent)**

*I am a Parent Governor on the board. I currently have a daughter in year 11, who is due to leave in June 2024.*



**Frances Rodha (Staff)**

*I am the Staff Governor on the board. I am the head of Food Preparation and Nutrition and have worked at the school since 2003.*



**Angela Winfield (Parent)**

*My name is Angela Winfield - I am a member of The Eastwood Park Academy Trust and have been a governor at The Eastwood Academy for nearly 3 years the last two as Chair of Governors. I have extensive knowledge of governance having served as a co-opted governor of a primary school for nearly 10 years covering the role of SEND Governor. I have had one child complete their journey at Eastwood currently now studying A levels, one child currently at the academy.*



**Jennifer Wood (Parent)**

*My Grandson attends Eastwood Academy, and I am a Parent Governor, other than this I am actively involved in the Community Investment Board which is a funding body for supporting local charities in Southend.*

*I enjoy being a Governor as it gives me a greater understanding of the school structure as well as being a strong representative for parents.*



**Martin Wright (Co-Opted)**

*I am co-opted governor on the board. I lead a local Church in Eastwood and also have 15 years' experience of youth work and informal education.*