



# ARNSIDE NATIONAL CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

## GOVERNING BOARD PEN PORTRAITS

**Chair of the Governing Board**  
**Mr Ian Service**



**Headteacher**  
**Mr Nick Sharp**



**Clerk to the Governing Board**  
**Mrs Sue Glendinning**



### PARENT GOVERNORS

**MR CHRIS HARGREAVES**



Chris is a newly appointed Parent Governor and is excited about being able to bring his wealth of knowledge and skills to benefit the school. Chris has a background centred around project delivery, business transformation, finance and IT. Chris has minimal direct experience in the education sector, but he strongly believes his experience and skills to be transferable to help push Arnside National School forward and works towards its vision.

Chris has been renovating his house in Arnside for the last 4 years, but now this is coming to an end, he is excited to concentrate on other things. Chris is passionate about music and loves going to concerts and listening to and buying music. He also loves walking and enjoying the local landscape. Chris' daughter is in Year 4, and she absolutely loves school - this is a testament to the other pupils, the staff and the Board of Governors at the school. Chris is looking forward to 'giving a little back' and working with the fellow governors and the staff, on the next chapter of the school.

**MR CHRIS MYERS**



Chris joined the Arnside National School Governing Body in 2021. He has 10 years' recent experience in primary education having taught in Surrey before moving to Arnside and teaching in the Lancaster and Morecambe areas. Chris worked as a class teacher and Assistant Head, leading on curriculum development, pupil progress monitoring and assessment and staff development. He now works for Lancashire County Council as a design engineer, a return to his original career. Chris began his career in the design of major infrastructure projects in the UK and overseas and spent time living and working in the Middle East, specialising in the design of airports. Following a year-long in-school training programme Chris changed career to primary school teaching before a return to engineering design, this time for a Local Authority. He wants to keep an involvement in education and make use of the skills he has developed and hopes that he can support the staff and pupils at Arnside in his role as a governor. Outside work Chris spends his free time playing cricket, plodding around the local trails, and playing guitar.

### LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR

**MR GRAEME ARMSTRONG**

## FOUNDATION GOVERNORS

### MR DAVID ADAIR

David has served as a governor at Arnside National School for over 20 years. During that time, he has had a number of roles including chair of health and safety, heavily involved with the building of a number of new areas (new class room, extending the staff room, removal of old kitchen, extending of the school hall). Currently joint vice chair, chair of the finance, premises, health, and safety committee. David visits the school at least weekly and meets all members of staff regularly. David has had 4 children attend Arnside school who have all now moved on in their education. David has worked in the NHS for over 30 years and is currently the engineering manager at the Royal Lancaster Infirmary where he is responsible for a large number of staff. He helps develop and train them to the required health standards. David does a large number of mandatory training courses each year on subjects such as safeguarding, health and safety, lone working, risk assessments and COSSH.

### MRS JUDITH BRATT



Judith was born and brought up in the West Midlands until she went to university in London. She taught English in state and independent secondary schools from Year 7 through to O level / GCSE and A level in London and the South East. She also acted as a Teaching Assistant to an English teacher in a school in Ohio, USA for two terms during the family's secondment to America with her husband's work. She was an examiner for London Board O level English Language for several years and was also involved in a 6th Form A level Chaucer extension course for 3 years. Judith and her husband moved full time to Arnside in 2005, having had a cottage for 6 years beforehand. She has been attending St James church since 2007 and has been a governor at Arnside National School since early 2010, where she has been the governor involved with SEND working closely with Ms. Morris. She is often in the school to follow pupils' involvement, progress, and success. She organises Kendal Food Bank collections and is instrumental in a drive for more generous contributions both food and financial; she also collects for 3 Kendal charities. In this capacity, she talks to the children at school church about Christmas and Harvest collections to explain what is needed and why. Ahe is involved with other charities and organisations in Arnside, working as Membership Secretary of the Arnside RNLI since 2012, being a driving force in fundraising and events for them, and working with the Archives group. Her latest venture is helping with the joint St James and Arnside Methodist "Messy Church" monthly gatherings, helping with the catering side of things. Judith is very pleased and proud to be a serving governor for the past 12 years. She counts Arnside National School among the very best of the many she's seen over the years for its energy, determination and commitment to the success, welfare, and happiness of its children.

### MRS STEPHANIE GRIFFITH



I was appointed as a Foundation Governor in 2015 and sit on the Finance, Premises, Health & Safety Committee. I grew up in the local area and attended Arnside National School as a pupil myself many years ago. My son is currently in the Reception class. As a Foundation Governor I represent St. James Church where I have held the position of Parish Church Council Secretary for the last 6 years. Promoting Christian qualities and an understanding of the Christian faith within the school is very important to me. I work as one of the Medical Secretaries at a GP surgery in Kendal and enjoy swimming and cookery in my spare time.

## THE REVEREND ANDREW NORMAN



The Reverend Andrew Bryan Norman is a native Cumbrian, born and raised in the north of the county in the village of Abbey Town on the Solway Firth. Andrew has been the Priest in Charge (Vicar) of the parishes of St James, Arnside with Storth and St Michael and All Angels, Beetham since July 2019, before this he was the Assistant Curate of the Cartmel Peninsula Team Ministry serving nine parishes in the south of the Diocese of Carlisle.

Andrew serves at the moment as ex-officio Foundation Governor here in Arnside as well as at the Church of England Primary Schools in Beetham and Storth. In the wider church, Andrew serves on a number of committees including the Bishop's Council and the Diocesan Advisory Committee for the care of church buildings as well as serving an Assistant Diocesan Director of Ordinands and Bishop's Adviser supporting candidates exploring a call to ordained ministry.

Andrew was an undergraduate at Selwyn College, Cambridge where he studied History after which he completed a Theology degree at the University of Oxford whilst undertaking his theological training for the priesthood at Ripon College Cuddesdon. He enjoys good quality television, exploring, reading, learning new things, a wide range of music, singing, a good podcast, and laughing. He also has ambitions to be better at cooking, baking, and gardening - but these all remain works in progress.

## MR IAN SERVICE



Ian moved to Arnside 8 years ago, having retired after 39 years as a secondary mathematics teacher. He taught in Knowsley, Papua New Guinea, Stockport, and Manchester, being on the Senior Leadership team at St Bede's College prior to retirement. He has been involved in GCSE and A level examining for over 40 years and is currently a Lead Examiner at AS level. Ian is Churchwarden and Lay Reader at St James' Church, having been a Lay Reader for 45 years. He is well known to the children as co-leader of the weekly school-church. Ian has been a Governor at Arnside School for 7 years, with oversight of mathematics.

Married to Yvonne, Ian has two daughters, who are both teachers, and two grandchildren, Aidan aged 12 and Opal aged 10. Ian's hobbies are fell walking and bird photography.

## MR STEPHEN HENNEBERRY



Steven's connection with Arnside National School began back in September 1989 when he walked through the doors of Mrs Glover's Reception class. Steven grew up in Arnside attending the school for seven years before going to Dallam School in Milnthorpe.

Steven's career began in Hertfordshire in 2007 when, after graduating from the University of York, he started working for Tesco HQ as a buyer and merchandiser in their seasonal department. Three years of experience managing costs, stocks and sales led him to retrain as an ACA Chartered Accountant with BDO in Leeds in 2010.

The opportunity arose in 2014 for Steven to return to his roots in the South Lakes and take on career number three as a teacher of Mathematics, training with the South Lakes Federation of schools. Steven is now Assistant Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form at Dallam School, joining the governing body at Arnside National School in 2018.

Steven is involved throughout various community projects in the village, notably the Arnside Community Fireworks team and the Arnside Volunteer Group. He is our Safeguarding governor and has a position on the Finance Committee as our responsible officer. Outside of his working hours, Steven is a keen walker, loves skiing and is part of the local amateur dramatics group Storth Entertainers. If you see him around school or the village, please stop and say hello.

## STAFF GOVERNORS

### MS JACKI PIPER



Jacki Piper is deputy head teacher at Arnside National School, promoted to this post on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017.

She was welcomed onto the board of governors in November 2017. She has worked as a teacher in the school since 1993. She has responsibility for Leadership of English, Geography and Music in the school. She has previously had responsibility for the leadership of PE and RE and took on the role of SENCO for a year. In 1999 Jacki did an educational exchange to Waitara Central School in New Zealand through the Commonwealth Exchange Scheme.

For eight years, Jacki was on the board of trustees for Old Hutton Preschool, where she had responsibility for being treasurer and educational advisor.

Jacki is Specialist Leader in Education for English and NQTs. In this role, she runs a support group for English Leaders, providing training and moderation experiences. In the school's role as teaching school up until 2016, Jacki was responsible for the Newly Qualified Teachers across the SLRP network.

In this role, she moderated assessments, collated data, and provided training and support for the new teachers in South Lakeland.

Jacki has taken on responsibility for curriculum development in the school, providing training on pedagogy and curriculum design in order to help staff work together to create a whole school curriculum map for all subjects. This will provide continuity and progression, allowing the children to make cognitive links within and between subjects, which will enhance the quality of their education.

Jacki Piper is mother of two boys: Dylan and Coen Edwards and wife to training consultant, Paul Edwards owner of Striding Edge Consultancy.

### MRS CARLA HARTROPP

## GOVERNANCE PROFESSIONAL TO THE GOVERNING BOARD

### MRS SUE GLENDINNING



Sue has served as a school Governor for 26 years, in three schools within the Carlisle area of the county. She served for 18 years at Belle Vue Primary School, being Chair of Governors for 10 years.

During this time, she was chair of the staffing & finance committee and the premises, health & safety committee. Sue also served on the board of governors at a small rural primary school to the north of the county at Fir Ends Primary School, for 6 years, where she was vice chair of governors and chair of the staffing, finance, premises, health & safety committee: official complaints committee and the staff redundancy committee. Sue's governance experience is not limited to primary education, as she was a member appointed governor at Trinity School in Carlisle, the largest secondary school in the county. During her 6-year tenure here, she was Chair of the Finance & General-Purpose Committee and served on the student disciplinary and exclusion panel and the headteacher appointment panel.

Sue has been the Chair of Finance, Staffing, Premises, Health and Safety Committees for 25 years.

Sue has been the director of Cumbria Clerking Advisory Service, since 2012. This followed her 13 years' service with the local education authority, where as a Governor Development Officer, she was responsible for developing and delivering training to governors countywide, and for working with governing bodies to raise their standards of leadership and management in governance. She also mentored newly appointed chairs of governors.

Sue moved from Newcastle to Carlisle to start her career as a nurse, then trained as a midwife in Scotland.

Sue worked in East Anglia and completed her Neonatal Intensive Care qualification before returning to Cumbria to work as a Community Midwifery Sister and midwifery tutor.

Following her time spent raising her children, Sue did further training, which enabled her to work in school with children with special educational needs, and those requiring 1-1 tuition in English and maths. She worked in a local primary school for three years in Year 1 and Year 6, before being asked to join the Governor Development Team at Cumbria County Council.

Sue's voluntary roles/hobbies: President of Carlisle Rugby Club; Youth Section Co-ordinator; First Aid mentor; Newcastle Falcons Supporter; patchwork/quilting/dressmaking; embroidery; sugarcraft; gardening; reading; music/theatre and travel.