



# Meet our School Governors

**Name:** Maura Leyland

**Type of Governor:** Foundation Governor - Chair



## How did you come to be a Governor at St Kentigern's?

I was first appointed a Foundation Governor at St Kentigern's in November 2009 and have served on the Board ever since.

I spent some time as Vice-Chair and was elected as Chair in 2012.

## Tell us a bit about yourself.

I have been married to Barry for 53 years and our eldest son attended school at St Kentigern's. Our granddaughter attended St Kentigern's and is currently in Y8 at St Mary's, our youngest grandson is currently in Y6. We have lived in the parish for over 45 years and have been active in various areas of the parish including the parish centre. Barry was a parent Governor and then a Foundation Governor and Chair of the Board at St Mary's and later of the Board of Directors at the new Catholic Academy (BEBMAT). Along with our eldest son and daughter in law he also ran a Youth Club in the parish. So our family have had a long association with St Kentigern's.

## What are your interests and hobbies?

I enjoy reading and spending time with the family. We have also always enjoyed travelling and seeing new places.

## What do you bring to the role of School Governor?

On leaving school I worked for Yorkshire Bank and later for Barclays. My final role before retirement was in the Finance Office of the Diocese in Lancaster. So I bring a background in finance to the Board along with many years experience as a Governor.