

Brookfields School – Governor Roles and Responsibilities (November 2025)

NAME	DATE OF OFFICE and END OF TERM	POSITION	CATEGORY OF GOVERNOR	KEY STAGE	APPOINTED BY	SP ROLE	PAY COMMITTEE	DECLARATION OF BUSINESS INTEREST/RELATIONSHIPS WITH STAFF & GOVERNORS
Christine McLean	13/10/21 – 12/10/24 12/10/24 – 11/1/0/27	Chair of Governors	Parent		Parents	Finance Standards Committee SEND Governor	X	Route Panel member Skills England / No relationship to staff / governors
Lesley Reed	24/01/24 – 23/01/27	Vice Chair of Governors Chair of the Finance Standards Committee	Co-opted		Governing Board	Health & Safety Governor Pupil premium Finance Standards Committee	X	None declared / No relationship to staff / governors
Anne Murdoch	11/10/17-10/10/20 11/10/20-10/10/23 10/10/23 – 9/10/26		Co-opted		Governing Board	Staffing matters CPD Staff Wellbeing Performance Management	X	Senior Advisor College Leadership ASCL / No relationship to staff / governors
Stuart Matthews	16/10/24 – 15/10/27		Parent		Parents	Finance Standards Committee Careers Governor Risk Management		None declared / No relationship to staff / governors
Maurice George	06/12/24 – 05/12/27		Co-opted		Governing Board	Safeguarding Governor Careers Governor		CEO of Ways into Work / No relationship to staff / governors
Co-opted governor vacant								
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Catherine Bernie	Ex officio	Headteacher	Headteacher		Ex officio	Finance Standards Committee		None declared / No relationship to staff / governors
Tom Canham	9/10/24 – 8/10/27	Staff governor	Staff		Staff			None declared / Mother is a teacher in the school / governors
Non teaching staff governor vacant								
Sara Avenell	Ex officio	Deputy Head	Associate / No voting rights		Governing Board	Finance Standards Committee		None declared / No relationship to staff / governors
Eleanor Bukht	Ex officio	Deputy Head	Associate / No voting rights		Governing Board	Finance Standards Committee		None declared / No relationships to staff/governors
Josh Connick	Ex officio	Assistant Headteacher	Associate / No voting rights		Governing Board			None declared / Spouse of a member of teaching staff/

								/governors
James Gearing	Ex officio	Assistant Headteacher	Associate / No voting rights		Governing Board	Finance Standards Committee		None declared / No relationships to staff / governors
Katie Gray	Ex officio	Assistant Headteacher	Associate / No voting rights		Governing Board			None declared / No relationships to staff / governors

Requirement 1 x Headteacher 2 x Parent Governors 2 x Staff Governors (1 space) 5 x Co-opted Governors (2 spaces) Total=10

Left the governing board in the last 12 months

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Keith Shaw	19/10/23 – 18/10/26 Resigned early 28/02/24		Parent governor		Elected by parents	Standards Committee		Chair of the PTA / No relationship to staff / governors
Sam Jacob	02/12/15 - 29/01/19 30/01/19 - 29/01/22 30/01/22 – 17/09/24 Resigned early due to role of Trustee at Ascendancy Partnership Trust	Chair of Governor	Co-opted governor		Governing Board	Finance Standards Committee		Trustee Ascendancy Partnership Trust / No relationships to staff / governors
Maddie Burr	17/05/23 – 16/05/26 Resigned early 23/10/24		Co-opted		Governing Board	Curriculum and assessment Standards Committee		None declared / No relationship to staff / governors
Tom McAuslin	25/01/23 – 24/01/26 Resigned early 22/10/24	Vice Chair of Governors	Co-opted		Governing Board	Safeguarding Children in care Careers Standards Committee		None declared / No relationship to staff / governors
Alireza Sedaraty	09/09/24 – 08/09/27 Resigned early 22/09/25		Co-opted		Governing Board			None declared / No relationship to staff / governors