



St. James CE Primary Academy

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Meet our Local Academy Committee

Name

Alan White

Role on the LAC

Chair

On the LAC since

September 2015

About me

I have spent most of my adult life working in television broadcasting, first as an employee of ATV Network Ltd. in Birmingham, rising to be in charge of the Outside Broadcast department, and subsequently running my own company offering engineering and production services to a wide variety of television companies. I have travelled widely, working in UK, Europe, Asia and America.

My two additional passions are music, and working with children, particularly those with special needs. I have performed with the City of Birmingham Symphony Chorus for over twenty-five years and I'm currently back with them for three projects taking me to Germany and Monte Carlo. I sing regularly in Lichfield Cathedral and in other cathedrals and greater churches across the UK. I have done a lot of voluntary work at the Gateway special needs playgroup in Lichfield, now at Rocklands school, and on several council-run summer play projects for children. I am married with two children and three grandchildren.

Why I am a member of the LAC at St James

I love working with children and when the opportunity to help support the reading at St. James' arose, I thought I would give it a try. I was elected Foundation Governor by the church in September 2015 and became Chair in October following some resignations. I felt that the school was not in a good place and I decided to exercise my considerable management experience to help turn it around. It is now a very good school and I am enjoying the embedded desire for continual improvement towards becoming an outstanding school. It's all about the children!