



# Sedgefield Primary School

Learning Together for Life

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I worked for 20 years at Sunderland University running the section looking after the Quality Assurance of all the university's courses. I loved the job and developed a keen interest in education of adults and children. I have two daughters one working for a charity and the other for Bolton Council. I also have two grandchildren aged 4 and 7 , which has heightened my interest in Primary School education. When I retired I became a volunteer at Sedgefield Primary school, listening to the children read once a week-- particularly those who needed extra support. I have done this for eight years now and still really enjoy it. I am a passionate advocate of the importance of literacy to children at this age and get great pleasure from seeing the children progress through the year. I became a governor a few years later and have found it really interesting and rewarding. Teaching methods and curriculum have changed a lot since my kids were at school. Being a Granny gives added importance to my understanding! The school is a great place to work and the staff are very friendly. The children are fun and also very caring. When I was ill last year I received some great get-well cards. I would be very happy to talk to any parents who had an issue they wished to discuss .

Register of interests statement:

I can confirm that I do not have any relevant business interests including other Governor positions and that I do not have any relationships with members of the school staff including spouses, partners, relatives. There are no other conflicts of interest.