

Katie Strickland (Chair)

Katie moved to London after completing a German and Politics degree at Leeds University and has lived in Basingstoke for the past 15 years. She is a Compliance Consultant, working for an international bank with previous experience in Relationship Management, Accounting and Project Management. Katie has two children, both of whom attend St. Bede's.

Katie has been a Governor for three years. She is a Foundation Governor and the current Chair of Governors. In addition to her role as Chair, she is the Link-Governor for Pupil Premium and SENCO and sits on the Admissions and Resources Committee.



Danny Sullivan (Vice Chair)

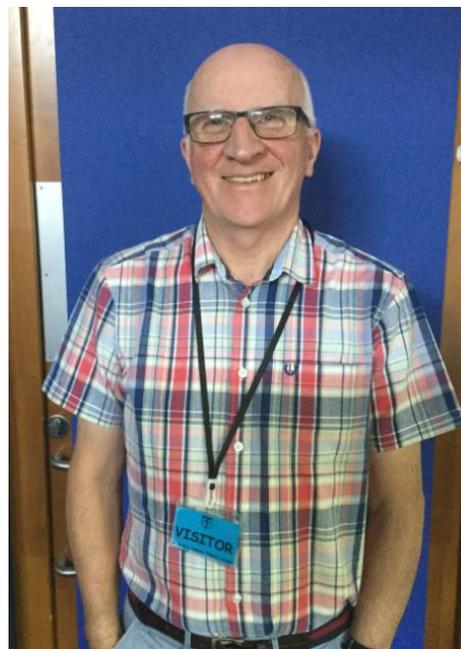
Danny is a primary teacher by training and was subsequently a primary headteacher, primary schools adviser to Bishop Crispian Hollis and Director of Education for the Diocese of Oxford. Danny has published in the field of children's RE and in children's spirituality.

Danny has served as a Hampshire magistrate in both the family and criminal courts.

Danny was Chair of the National Catholic Safeguarding Commission for England and Wales from 2012 to 2016 overseeing national procedures and guidelines and being the spokesperson for the Church on matters of safeguarding and abuse.

Danny is a member of the STEP Academy Trust which has 13 schools. The Trust works specifically with failing schools to turn them around and give children the best possible education which is their right. Danny was its chair until 2015.

Currently Danny does some advisory work for the Department for Education supporting Academy Trusts with effective governance and financial administration.



Danny has a granddaughter in Year 5 and a grandson in Year 2.

Fr Christopher Rutledge (Parish Priest and Foundation governor)

Fr Chris was ordained Priest in 1995 at St. Joseph, Newbury, by Bishop Crispian Hollis. He served as Assistant Priest at Windsor, and Winchester and also as a full time hospital chaplain in Reading. His first parish, as Parish Priest, was Sacred Heart, Hook, followed by 13 years as Parish Priest of St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow, Bracknell.

Fr Chris was born in Gosport, Hampshire and attended the local schools. He enjoys cycling, gardening, and holidays abroad. He has a brother and a sister and his favourite colour is blue. He doesn't have any pets at home but a stray cat does pop in to visit him from time to time!

Before the Lord called Fr Chris to the Priesthood, he worked in retail on the Isle of Wight, and in Poole, Dorset. He studied for the Priesthood at Campion House, Osterley, and St John's Seminary, Womersley, Guildford.



Debbie Froud (Parent governor)

Debbie works as a part time Clinical Development Consultant for Eli Lilly and Company which is based in Basingstoke, not too far from the school. She has three boys, two still at St Bede's and one now at Bishop Challenor. She will admit that she has little time for hobbies as she spends most of her time 'being a taxi' and driving her boys to football tournaments, athletics meets and parties! However, she loves horse-riding and has recently taken up pilates.

Debbie applied to be a parent governor as she has a vested interest in ensuring the school continues to provide the children with an excellent standard of education. She aspires to challenge and support each and every child academically, as well as to support their development into caring, compassionate and thoughtful adults.



Dilini De Silva (Parent governor)

Dilini has been a parent governor since March 2018. She is originally from Sri Lanka and has lived in the UK for the past 13 years. Dilini's background is in finance and she has worked in the banking/retail and financial services industries. Dilini and her husband have a 5 year old daughter who attends St Bede's. She is a Link-Governor for the Admissions and Resources Committees. Dilini wanted to be part of the governing body because it gave her the opportunity to be involved, assist and help provide all students of the School with the best possible start and foundation for a happy and healthy life ahead.



Anna Slater (Local Authority Governor)

Anna is a Clinical Matron at Basingstoke Hospital in the Diagnosis and Treatment Centre otherwise known as the DTC; the unit specialises in Day Surgery.

Anna is very happily married to Tony and they have two daughters, Molly and Clare who are coming to the end of school life and moving onto a gap year and then hopefully university and college respectively.

She has been a Governor for the last 12 years and has watched the school grow enormously during that time; when her own children started it was only single form entry. Being a Governor allows Anna to give something back to the community that her family have grown up in and she is immensely proud of what St Bede's has achieved and continues to achieve every year. Anna thoroughly enjoys still being part of the school community, and even goes on the odd school residential! She says that the children of our school are our biggest asset and it is a privilege to be part of the Governing body.



Monica Barker (Staff governor)

Monica has been in teaching for 26 years at all levels, including headship. She started her teaching career in a junior school in London and has worked in a large junior school and two primaries in Hampshire.

Monica has a very wide experience of working with children with varied needs: dyslexia; autism; English as an additional language; children with Special Educational Needs, and children with some extremely challenging behaviours. She is very passionate about inclusion and ensuring that all of our children are provided with every opportunity to succeed.

Outside of school, Monica tutors privately; her youngest student has been in EYFS, and her oldest is 17. She has really enjoyed the new challenge of working with GCSE students.

Monica is very passionate about reading and describes herself as a voracious reader. She also enjoys walking, swimming and spending time with friends and family.



Catherine Campbell (Foundation Governor)

Catherine has been a Governor at St Bede's for quite a while. She does not have any children but, as a parishioner of Holy Ghost parish for almost 30 years, she is very concerned that we give the Catholic children in our area the best possible start to their education.

Her background is in finance and she currently chairs the Finance and Resources Committee at St Bede's school. She says that she feels very privileged to have been involved in such a wonderful school and proud of the significant progress made over recent years; in particular the increase in size to two form entry and developing the buildings and resources to meet the increased capacity. She is looking forward to working with the management team and governors to develop the school further over the coming years.



Caroline Hartgill (Foundation Governor)

Caroline works for an international IT company based in Basingstoke. She is a Chartered Marketer and Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Marketing, and was previously a regional board member and chair of the CIM Hampshire & IOW branch.

She has been a Governor for three years and has two children who both attend St. Bede's. She wants every child to know they are unique and special, discover their talents, strive to do their best and make a difference in the world (in the knowledge that even the smallest of acts are important); and for St Bede's to do its absolute best for each child in order for him/her to reach his/her full potential as a primary school child before they leave to start secondary school.



Mary Kucharska (Foundation Governor)

Mary Kucharska has been a Foundation Governor since 2018. Mary has a child who is in Year 3 and another in EYFS.

Mary is a sustainability consultant with specific interests in resource efficiency and project management. Aside from that, Mary is an active proponent of wellness and mental health at work.

Mary wanted to be a governor to help the school to develop and work towards a bright future for each child.



