John Cresswell I am a Local Authority appointed Governor and Chair of the Finance & Premises Committee. I live locally with my wife and work as an IT Manager for an Inspection and Testing Company. My hobbies and interests include walking, cooking and folk music.
Nigel Saunders I am a co-opted Governor. I became a governor in 2004 when my three children attended West Kirby Primary School. My children have long left West Kirby Primary, but I have continued to work as a governor at the school. I sit on all the committees of the governing body and chaired the Governing Body from 2007 until 2011. My aim is to always strive to do what is best for the education and safety of the children as well as looking after the interests of the staff at the school.
Chris Gill I have been a co-opted and community governor at West Kirby Primary School for about 25 years now. I have worked on all of the committees over the years. I do have a special interest in Safeguarding, Special Needs and Early Years. I have worked as a Counsellor with Children and Adults for 18 years in various places such as Probation, Rape and Sexual Assault Centre, Sure Start Centres and presently at schools across Wirral, Liverpool and Cheshire. I run a Domestic Violence programme for Women in Wirral. I have been a Supervisor .Special Needs Coordinator and Safeguarding Deputy at St Agnes Pre School for over 35 years, now just one morning a week but love it. I sing in The Liverpool Harmonic Gospel choir and I play the Melodeon in the band for the Mockbeggar Morris dancers. As well as the above, I love walking and swimming.

Gary Price I am an Associate Director for Strategy and Partnerships at Arrowe Park Hospital after first starting work in the NHS 17 years ago as a clinician. I have lived in West Kirby all my life and I am married with 3 children, 2 at West Kirby Primary. Outside of work I am a voluntary crew member of West Kirby RNLI and a member of West Kirby United Reformed Church.
Jonty Goodchild I am the father of Aly and Lara both of whom are at West Kirby Primary. Originally brought up in Meols, I returned to the area with my wife Susie four years ago to bring up our children on the wonderful Wirral Peninsula. I am a chartered surveyor by profession and partner of a long established Chester firm. I hope to assist the school, parents and children by bringing some of my time and professional skills to my role as school governor.
Eleanor Hope My name is Eleanor Hope and I am a parent governor. I have three children who are all very happy at the school. I grew up in Liverpool before moving to Edinburgh to do a Maths degree at university. We moved to the Wirral after getting married and I am now a Maths teacher at a local secondary school. In my spare time I love playing netball.
Bethan Halpenny-Collins I joined the governing body in March 2017 as a parent governor. I have two sons in WKPS and am keen to support the school to create a healthy environment that promotes the wellbeing of all. I am a lecturer in the University of Liverpool and an occupational therapist by profession. Alongside teaching occupational therapy students, I undertake research into lifestyle and wellbeing, mostly for people with disabilities. I also research higher education and widening participation.



Kate Takashima

I have been Headteacher here at West Kirby Primary School since September 2009 and prior to that my own children attended this school. As an educationalist and a parent, along with the staff and governors of the school, I am committed to the development and fulfilment of each child and to providing the best possible education for all of our children. When not at work, I love spending time with family and friends and walking on the beach or up in the hills of North Wales enjoying the views- or the rain!



Tracey McCann

I have been a staff governor at West Kirby since 2012; I previously held the post of parent governor at my children's school. I am married and have four children; my youngest are twins just about to start university. Before becoming a teacher I worked in the banking industry where I trained staff so I suppose teaching has always been in my blood. Every child deserves the best education that the state can provide. My aim as a governor is to do everything I can to make sure that everything is in place for children at WKPS to reach their full education potential. I enjoy being on our Governing Body and see the vital role that governors do in working with the school to ensure that it delivers a good quality education.