

Friday 6th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to let you know that following Monday's meeting of the full governing body, Martin Saunders stepped down as Chair of Governors after a decade in the post. As you'll read below, he has decided that now would be a good time for the governing body to go in a new direction but we're very pleased that he has agreed to stay on as a governor to be able to continue to share his wealth of experience and knowledge. I'm sure you will join me in thanking Martin for his ongoing commitment and loyalty to the school.

Helen Ruffles was unanimously voted in as our new Chair and begins the post with immediate effect. With Helen's wealth of experience, I have no doubt that she will be an asset to the school and I know that she is looking forward to getting stuck in to her new role.

As always, if you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks,

Amanda Bradley

Headteacher

Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils, Staff and members of the wider BPS community,

It has been my absolute privilege to serve as Chair of Governors at Bewdley Primary School for over ten years. Outside of school, I am increasingly busy and have decided that now is a good time to step down from that role and let a new chair take a fresh look at the needs of the governing body. During my tenure, I have had the pleasure of working with three head teachers and endured three Ofsted inspections. We've had one pandemic, countless fantastic events at school and even one appearance in the Daily Mail! The strong sense of community at BPS has always shone through in both good times and hard times, and I'm immensely proud to be part of that. I will be staying as a regular governor, but I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone who I have worked with in my capacity as Chair, and to wish the incoming Chair the best of luck.

Many thanks and best wishes,

Martin Saunders

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to have been asked to become the new Chair of Governors at Bewdley Primary School.

Although new to the school, I have lived in Bewdley for nearly twelve years and love the sense of community that surrounds our beautiful town.

I have experience of being a teacher, an assistant head teacher and a head teacher in a number of schools in the Midlands including primary and maintained nursery schools.

I have also been a governor and a chair of governors and have supported a range of other schools to improve their outcomes for children by working as an adviser.

As the new Chair, my intention is to support the whole school community of staff, parents, governors and children to make BPS the best it can be.

I have three children and three grandchildren and believe strongly that every child deserves an excellent education.

I very much look forward to meeting you all in the near future.

Kind regards,

Helen Ruffles



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