

**Ruth Toone**

I'd like to be a parent governor to contribute to this school building on what it does well, improving identified areas for development and delivering the best possible education for the children who attend it. The views and experiences of parents, often incorporating those of students, form an important part of any schools development strategy. With a large parent community there is a danger that we all think someone else is doing the feeding back.... as a parent governor I'd see it as part of my role to make sure someone is.

I bring professional communication and HR skills from working life that has spanned the public and private sectors. I also have 6 years experience as a governor in two primary schools- including three as chair. With daughters in year 8 and 12 I've certainly got to know the Boston Spa High School further as a parent and I'd very much like to put that knowledge to use and support the school further as a governor.

**Anthony Wildgoose**

It is an absolute delight and very important to see all our children leave home with a smile on their face, then return safe and sound, full of the joys of the day. As a parent Governor at Boston Spa School for the past 4 years, my goal has been to maintain our children's enjoyment while ensuring the mechanics of education deliver more than just the academic qualifications they rightly deserve.

My occupational experience involves developing young people of all abilities. This puts me in an excellent position to shape school policy and procedures, to ensure our children leave school equipped with everything they need to excel in today's complex and competitive world.

My goal is to bring a strong focus on attitude and respect; Maintained focus on behaviour and achievement with embedded traditional values. These are all things that major employers see as key indicators (values) in prospective employees.

Using my experience of developing university, college and school leavers, further underpinned by experience as a Governor in a Whinmoor primary school, I will draw upon the family values my parents instilled in me, to be the best critical friend the school has.

**Claire Blakey**

I have lived in this area for over 20 years. I have a son who has just started in Year 7 and a daughter currently in Year 4 at a local primary school. I have been a primary school teacher for 21 years, initially in London and the last 19 years in Leeds, this I believe has given me a thorough and broad understanding of a range of educational issues. I also feel I am an effective team player with good communication skills. I am leaving my current job at Christmas with the aim of spending more time with my family, I therefore feel I now have the time to dedicate to being a governor. I believe I can contribute both as a parent and through many years of experience in education I would welcome the opportunity to support the excellent work already taking place at Boston Spa School.