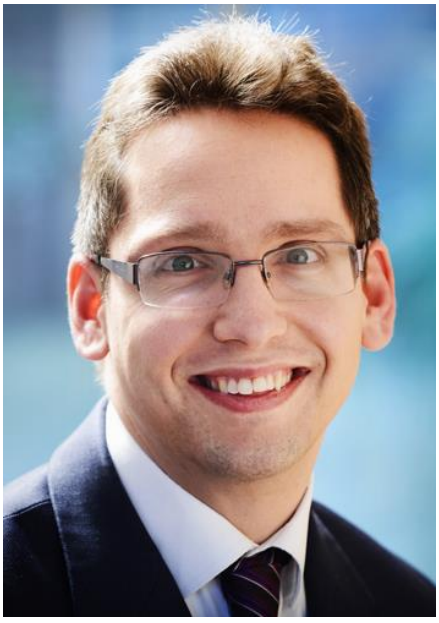
Governor's Biographies

Mark Vinall
Co-opted Governor
Chairman

Responsibilities: Chair of Governors

Committee: Resources / Complaints / Performance Mgt



Mark is a barrister at Blackstone Chambers in London, specialising in commercial disputes, media and entertainment law and public law.

Mark grew up in Reading before attending Jesus College, Oxford. He and his wife, Pippa, moved to the area in 2002, and have lived in Richings Park for the last nine years.

They have three children: all three (now in secondary school) are former pupils of IVJS.

He became a Governor in December 2014.

Governor's Biographies

Andrew Nurse
Local Authority Governor

Responsibilities: Chair of Resources
Safeguarding / Equalities / Health & Safety
Committee: Standards / Pay Review / Complaints

Andrew joined the Governing Body in April 2016 having moved to Denham in 2014. Andrew was previously a governor of a First/Middle school in central Harrow and a Sixth Form College on Harrow Hill.

Having completed a Doctor of Business Administration qualification in 2011, Andrew is a visiting lecturer at Kingston and Worcester Universities in addition to tending a variety of motorcycles and a garden.

He has 4 daughters and 5 grandchildren.

Governor's Biographies

Jill Digweed
Head Teacher

Responsibilities include: Head Teacher

Committee: Resources / Standards

Jill graduated from Reading University, in 1995, having studied for a Bed (Hons) with Environmental Science. Jill started her teaching career at Highworth Combined School in High Wycombe where she held a variety of leadership roles including English subject leader and Phase Leader. In addition, Jill spent a period of time teaching in America developing her knowledge of teaching techniques. When Jill returned to the UK she worked as a Deputy Head in a High Wycombe school before moving to Iver.

In her free-time, Jill enjoys travelling, bike rides, reading and eating out.

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Governor's Biographies

Ellie Couves Staff Governor

Responsibilities include: SLT, INCLUSION, DSL

Committees: Standards

Ellie graduated from Canterbury Christ Church University, in 2016, having studied for a BA (hons) in Primary Education.

Ellie started her teaching career at IVJS in 2016 and has taught in all year groups across the school. She is now the Inclusion Leader/SENDco and Maths lead.

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Governor's Biographies

Katie Youell
Co-opted Governor

Responsibilities include: n/a
Committee: Resources / Standards

I have 2 girls who both attend the Iver Village Junior School. I grew up in Ruislip and moved to Iver 9 years ago now with my partner to be close to work, we've made it home and love it here.

I've worked at British Airways for the last 19 years most recently as a digital content editor, having left the University of Westminster with a degree in Business.

I enjoy spending time with my family and coaching the local u8's Delaford Colts team. When time allows I also enjoy cooking, travel and music.

Governor's Biographies

Rebecca Paxman
Co-opted Governor

Responsibilities include: PSHE, English
Committee: Resources / Standards

Rebecca has five children, four of which have attended schools in Iver. The older three were pupils at Iver Village Junior School and the second youngest child attended Iver Village Infant School.

Rebecca studied Geography at St Mary's University before doing a PGCE to become a Geography teacher. Rebecca has enjoyed teaching Humanities in local Secondary Schools.

Rebecca likes to spend time with her family and enjoys outdoor activities such as walking and camping.

Governor's Biographies

Carly Fulker
Co-opted Governor

Responsibilities include: Maths
Committee: Standards / Resources

Carly has two children who are now in secondary school having attended IVJS. She has a background in Consultancy Recruitment across Commercial and Education.

Carly grew up in West Drayton before moving to Iver with her Husband and children.

Carly enjoys spending time with her family, walking their family Dog and loves exploring new countries and cultures.

Governor's Biographies

Denise Lacour
Co-opted Governor

Responsibilities include: n/a
Committee: Standards / Resources

Denise graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University in the USA, having studied for a BFA in Art History. She worked in Advertising in London and then moved back to the USA with her husband and 3 children for several years.

On her return to the UK in 2001, Denise studied for her PGCE at Oxford Brookes University. Denise taught at several schools in High Wycombe and was SENDCo, after completing the National Award for SEN Coordination. Most recently, she was Head of Learning Support at a local independent school.

In her free time, Denise enjoys swimming and walking her dog.

Governor's Biographies

Amanda Clark
Parent Governor

Responsibilities include: n/a
Committee: Standards / Resources

Amanda is 6th generation Iver, her family have lived in Iver since the late 1850's. She is married to Chris and they have 3 children two of which attend Iver Village Junior School.

Amanda has always been involved in the community and helping to raise money for charities.

Amanda likes to spend her time with family and organising events.