

# South Hill School Governors

## Hans Peters



Hans was born in Hemel Hempstead and has lived here all his life. He retired in March 2018 having worked at John Lewis for over 40 years as a kitchen designer, designer trainer and mentor and design software tester. Hans was appointed as a Co-opted Governor in December 2017. He has two granddaughters here at South Hill. He is currently Chair of Governors having previously been co-chair and link Governor for Health and Safety.

## Seku Sissulu

Seku is the proud parent of a boisterous Year 1 child who loves South Hill and is doing well. As a Parent Governor, he would like to give back what he can to the school. Seku is the Head of Computer Science in a North London secondary school and has experience in the industry. He hopes he can help the parents, staff, governors and pupils to keep South Hill moving in the right direction.



## Katie Stewart

Katie is a married mother of three (two girls and a boy). The youngest two are currently at South Hill. Katie grew up in Warwickshire, moved away for university and settled in London for 15 years working as a Publicity Manager for an international academic publishing house. She moved with her family to Hemel Hempstead in 2013 in pursuit of a better quality of life. Outside of school

life, Katie loves to travel, explore the great outdoors and read! She was appointed as parent Governor in 2017 and became Deputy Chair of Governors in 2019.



## Hayley Yendell

Hayley is delighted to be part of the governing body. As the Headteacher of Heath Lane Nursery School, she is very keen to build strong links between our schools. She is hoping that her expertise in education and leadership, particularly in the Early Years, will be of value to the strategic leadership of South Hill. In her spare time, Hayley likes to exercise and is a member of a running club. She also tries to attend a couple of spinning classes a week at her local gym. This is nicely counter-balanced by her love of haribo and chocolate brioche!



## Kate Chafer

Kate is married with two sons. She lives locally in Boxmoor and grew up in Hemel. She has a BA degree in Sociology from the University of Nottingham and completed her PGCE in 2009 at the Institute of Education (now UCL). She has been a secondary school teacher for 10 years and is currently a head of department in an outstanding grammar school in Buckinghamshire. She was appointed as a governor in September 2019.



## Claire Peters

Claire is mum to Eliza and Katie and step-mum to Billy and Josh. She has lived in Boxmoor for over 30 years and attended South Hill School herself! She is an Assistant Headteacher at an outstanding secondary comprehensive school in St Albans and is Director of School Improvement for the Alban Academies Trust, a trust which includes three secondary schools local to St Albans.



## Siobhan McDermott

Siobhan joined the governing body as a co-opted governor in the Summer of 2021. Her links are well being and equality. Siobhan is a PE teacher and Head of Year 7 at The Hemel Hempstead School. Despite not living in Hemel Hempstead, she has been teaching in this area for 9 years and has been heavily involved in the transition process for year 6 pupils across Dacorum. She has a love of education, young people, and the pastoral life of schools.



## Vicky Shaw

Vicky moved to Hemel Hempstead from London around a decade ago with her family and they enjoy the friendly community in Boxmoor and all that the local area has to offer. She has more than 20 years' experience in journalism and has covered many major news events during that time including as a show business and arts correspondent previously as well as in her current role as financial correspondent. Vicky has a son who has progressed through South Hill and will shortly be embarking on his secondary school education.



## Tooba Ahmed

Tooba was born and raised in Canada and moved to Hemel Hempstead 5 years ago after getting married. She has two children, one of whom is at South Hill. Tooba has a Bachelor's degree in Biology and Psychology as well as a Master of Public Health degree. She has experience in politics, health advocacy and has held internships at hospitals in Canada during her studies. After volunteering at a children's hospital and seeing first hand how children are confident, happier and more productive when they are supported in their emotional and mental health, she strongly believes in the school's focus on wellbeing. Her interests include learning languages, travelling to new places and DIY!

