

## Welcome from the Chair of Governors

My name is Daniel Coppin; I am the Chair of Governors. On behalf of the Governing Body, I am pleased to welcome you to Chapel Street Nursery School.

As chair, with additional support from the clerk, I am responsible for ensuring the effective functioning of the governing body and have a vital role in setting the highest of expectations for professional standards of governance. It is the chair's role to give the governing body clear leadership and direction, keeping the governing body focused on its core strategic functions.

The governing body acts as the critical friend to the Head teacher in the strategic development of the nursery school. As governors, we share a common objective, which includes the wider nursery community, that is, working in partnership with you, as parents and carers and staff to ensure that every child can succeed and reach their full potential. With the nursery's nurturing curriculum focus, we aim to ensure that every child has the opportunity to learn and grow and to have the best Early Years grounding until the time comes for them to move onto the next phase of their education. The most rewarding part of being a Governor is to see the children enjoying themselves while in a learning environment. To support this, we can often be found in and around the nursery, attending meetings and experiencing the many different activities that take place in nursery school.

Our governors are experienced individuals, and the governing body consists of staff, parents, and members of the local community, having different backgrounds and experience, allows us to work collectively to fulfil the three core functions of Governance:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos, and strategic direction.
- Holding executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the nursery school and its children, and the effective and efficient performance management of staff.
- Overseeing the financial performance of the nursery school and making sure its money is well spent.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible during the coming months and would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and to assure you that I, and the governing body are committed to, and very proud of our nursery.

I will continue working with Mrs Gilbert and her staff, governors, parents, and children as we all collectively strive to make Chapel Street an outstanding nursery school.

If you see me at the nursery, please come and have a chat. Another way I can be contacted is via the school office or via email [chair@chapelstreet.nurseryluton.com](mailto:chair@chapelstreet.nurseryluton.com)

Yours faithfully

Daniel Coppin

Chair of Governors