

TIFFIN SCHOOL GOVERNOR BRIEF INTRODUCTIONS

PHIL PHILLIPS
(Chairman)



Educated at Tiffin (1967 to 1974 - Deputy Head Boy, Captain of Rugby and Kingsley Montgomery House) and St Edmund Hall, Oxford reading Physics. My entire working career has been spent in the financial sector including 20 years abroad in Korea, Japan, New York, and Hong Kong. Tiffin School was a hugely positive influence in my life and my aim is to help enhance the School's ability to provide a truly world class education and extra-curricular experience to all its students. I was elected Chairman of Governors and Chairman of the Tiffin School Foundation in 2010 and worked with other governors to achieve the successful conversion of the School to an Academy in July 2011. I am a member of the Finance Committee and the Audit Committee.

JOHN LULHAM
(Vice Chairman)



Both my sons attended the School and for several years I was a member of the TPA at a time when the School still held their annual fair. Subsequently, I became a Parent Governor and then a Foundation Governor. I am a Chartered Accountant and have extensive experience in contracts and procurement in the public sector and was awarded an MBE in 2009 for services to equality and diversity. I am currently an External Examiner and Distance Learning Tutor at a well-known University Business School. I have always strongly supported the school ethos and have enjoyed my long association with the Governing Body including being closely involved with the building of both the Sports Hall and the Dempsey Extension. I am a great believer of the extra-curricular activities of the school which I think are a great strength, and still enjoy visiting Grist to watch the School playing rugby or spending a Summer Saturday afternoon watching a fascinating game of cricket.

JIM HASLER-WINTER
(Chair of Sites & Premises)



We have had been lucky to have two sons at Tiffin. I qualified as a Chartered Surveyor in 1983 after reading Land Economy as a mature student, worked in the West End in national firms on all types of property problem solving. A past President of Wimbledon 62 Round Table and of the Cambridge University Land Society. A Parent Governor from May 2008 to 2012 and now as a Foundation Governor. This is a great time to have boys at Tiffin. Tiffin has an ethos to be proud of and develops a diversity of well rounded, personable and academically accomplished young men. I am committed to first class secular state education and believe in the additional benefits flowing from Music and Performing Arts, responsibilities and extra-curricular activities. The committed support of parents past and present for the boys, the school, and staff through active encouragement and effective practical support is crucial in achieving this outcome. We also need to look outwards into the community we serve and so we all need to have an eye to how we all can aid the future development of the school. I currently serve on the Finance and Sites and Premises Committees and the School's Health & Safety working group.

JAMES HEATH
(Chair of Finance)



I qualified as a chartered accountant in 1986 and have worked the rest of my career in private equity. I have come to understand that to compete effectively, the UK needs access to the widest and best possible pool of talent, which can only be achieved by first-class, state-provided education to which I am firmly committed. With my professional experience, I believe I have a contribution to make, particularly in helping the school address its financial challenges. In 2010 my son completed seven happy years at Tiffin, and is now working as a software engineer in London.

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ERIC TRUMP
(Chair of Curriculum & Student)



On graduating from Manchester University I joined the graduate marketing training scheme at what was then British Rail. I subsequently worked in marketing for five years before taking a career break and re-training as a teacher. I completed my Post Graduate Certificate in Education at the Institute of Education in London and have taught Geography in secondary schools in Tooting, Woking and Sutton. I am currently Assistant Headteacher at Claremont Fan Court School in Esher. I am able to bring nineteen years' experience working in a variety of secondary schools to the Governing Body at Tiffin School. I am a Foundation Governor and Chair of the Student and Curriculum Committee. I live with my wife in Hinchley Wood and have a daughter in the Sixth form at The Tiffin Girls' School and a son at Warwick University.

JIM TURNER
(Chair of Admissions)



I was born close to Kingston and have known the town as a child, a student (at the then Polytechnic) and for the last 33 years as a resident. I have four sons who have all attended Tiffin, the youngest in the 6th form only, and have seen the school develop from an excellent grammar school to a leading school in teaching and learning. I studied Mechanical Engineering and worked for 14 years in R&D and project work. I then retrained as a Teacher and taught in inner London schools for 26 years. I retired in 2007. With my sons following different interests throughout their school careers, I took the role as Coordinator for Tiffin Car Boot Sales in 1991. This enabled me to help all the various groups they were involved in and support the extra curricular activities that make Tiffin the school it is. I became a Parent Foundation Governor in 1994 and I am now a Foundation Governor since my youngest son left in 2000.

PAM WARDLEY
(Chair of Personnel)



My son was a pupil at the school and I served as a member of TPA, becoming its Vice Chairman and then Chairman. I have been a governor for a long time and have always supported the broad education offered at Tiffin. Whilst academic rigour and achievement are important, it is essential to encourage the boys to participate in the wide range of activities available both within the school and in the wider community. I am a tutor in the Adult Education Service and therefore have real experience of providing life long learning and believe that the stimulating environment at Tiffin helps to engender a positive experience that creates the desire to learn and contribute to society in general.

REBECCA BEVAN



I joined Tiffin School in 2004 following a career in Banking and Financial Services. As Music Administrator and Outreach Co-ordinator I am responsible for the smooth operation of the Music Department's extra-curricular activities and external engagements as well as the school's Outreach programme in the community. I am strongly committed to the school working with parents to support the benefits enjoyed by boys in Music and the Performing Arts and Sport. As a parent of 2 teenage children I have 13 years of experience in Parents' Association fundraising activities and look forward to the challenge of maintaining Tiffin at the forefront of academic and extra-curricular success for future generations of students.

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KEVIN DAVIS



Whilst never a pupil at Tiffin, my associations with the school go back decades; through both my musical involvement and as a former Leader of Kingston Council and a Chairman of the Education committee. Until 2002 years I used to run a global textiles business but I now own a public affairs business and am involved in the charity disability sector. I was the Conservative Parliamentary candidate for Kingston and Surbiton at the 2005 general election and stood in Yeovil at the 2010 election. I have a real interest in trying to understand and help Tiffin share more of its best practice in the wider schools community.

MICHELLE GARNER



I have lived down the road from Tiffin since I moved to Kingston with my husband, Martin, in 1992. My two sons were born at Kingston Hospital, went to school at Coombe Hill Infants and Juniors, and then on to Tiffin. My younger son is in Year 11 and my older son is in his second year at university. Although from a family of teachers, I studied Law at Bristol and became a solicitor, moving from a city firm to the government legal service in 1994. I have had a very varied career since then, advising government departments and other public bodies on all sorts of issues that affect them. Perhaps because of my family background, I have always had a particular interest in education (I was a parent governor at Coombe Hill, and sat on Kingston's Schools Admissions Forum). Having been a parent at Tiffin for 9 years, during which I have actively supported all aspects of school life, I hope now to be able to make a positive contribution as a governor.

SIMON GOODRIDGE



I attended the school between 1980 and 1986. I then went on to study Modern History with Economics at Manchester University. After graduating I trained as a chartered accountant with a medium sized firm of accountants initially working with mainly commercial organisations as an auditor and tax adviser. Since 2001 I have specialised in the Charity and Not for Profit sector and I am currently a Director with Buzzacott LLP based in Central London. I work with a wide range of Charity and Not for Profit organisations from learned societies and membership organisations to grant makers to social enterprises. I have a particular interest in Academy schools and I got back in touch with Tiffin when it became an academy. As a governor, I hope to use my professional expertise and my experience as a former pupil to contribute to the continuing success of the School.

ANNA JONES



Born and brought up in Surbiton and now living in Teddington with my husband Simon and my 3 sons, I have always been aware of Tiffin School. Following my Law Degree I qualified as a Solicitor and worked in the City in Commercial Litigation for 11 years until 1995.

I am very fortunate that all 3 of my boys have come to Tiffin School. Two are currently at School, in Years 9 and 13 and my eldest is at University. I have been a Parent Governor for the past 14 years, first at my sons' Infant School, Hampton Wick Infant and Nursery, then at their Junior School, St John the Baptist in Teddington and for the last two years at Tiffin. In the Infant and Junior schools I took part in 3 Ofsted Inspections and I was Chair of the Curriculum Committee and Vice Chair of Governors. At Tiffin, I sit on the Curriculum and the Admissions Committees

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<p>CHRIS O'CONNELL</p> 	<p>Since my time as a student at Tiffin (1989 - 1997), I studied Maths and Economics at Exeter University, where I also completed a PGCE. I returned to the school as a member of the Maths department in 2001 and am now Head of Year 11. I have always valued the quality of education and extra-curricular provision at Tiffin and do my utmost to support events in the wider community. Since joining the staff, I have involved myself in the coaching of Rugby and Cricket, am Head of Drake House and run the Hans Woyda Maths competition. Tiffin is also where I met my wife Charlie, from the Classics department, and we are now a family of four with two sons.</p>
<p>AILSA WEYMES-MCELDERRY</p> 	<p>After my BA (Joint Hons) degree in French and German, I joined NatWest as a Management Graduate Trainee, and then worked in Corporate Finance in the City and Paris, before moving to Deutsche Bank AG, London. I later completed a PGCE at Durham University, and have since had substantial experience of teaching in the state and independent sectors. At the Chinese International School in Hong Kong, I taught the IB programme, and this together with my experience of the UK's (I)GCSE and A Level programmes have given me a broad view of teaching methodologies and systems. As a Head of Languages, I am also experienced in performance management, training and recruitment issues.</p> <p>I am an ardent advocate of the grammar school system as it facilitates the success of pupils on an academic and holistic basis. As an experienced Oxbridge Coordinator, I am very keen to see even more state-educated pupils win places at the top Russell Group universities.</p> <p>I am committed to helping consolidate and secure the future of Tiffin so that it remains at the forefront of education, and successfully negotiates the changes afoot in the DfE's upcoming structural changes.</p>
<p>SUTHA SATKUNARAJAH</p> 	<p>I left Tiffin School in 2001 and completed an undergraduate degree in Cognitive Neuroscience at Harvard College, USA (2005).</p> <p>I spent my early career in management consultancy at Oliver Wyman (New York) and in private equity at HgCapital (Europe).</p> <p>I am firmly committed to improving education and healthcare in the UK and have been an advisor to ARK (the hedgefund industry backed Academy chain), Bupa and L.E.K. I am an active investor in specialist dementia nursing homes.</p> <p>I serve as an Admissions Interviewer for Harvard College and sponsored the Harvard Book Prize at Tiffin since 2010.</p>
<p>MIKE GASCOIGNE</p> 	<p>Headteacher</p>

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JOHN FARNHAM
(Company Secretary)



I joined the Finance Team at Tiffin in November 2008. A qualified accountant (CIMA) I have worked in a variety of roles throughout my 25+ years working in finance.

BRIAN TOWNSEND
(Clerk to Governors)



Clerk to the Governing Body