



**Silsden Primary  
School**

11<sup>th</sup> September 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to introduce myself as the new Chair of Governors at Silsden Primary School.

I have lived in Silsden since 1986 and both my daughters attended Aire View Infants and Hothfield Juniors before moving on to South Craven.

Last year, I retired from a 37-year career in teaching, the last 19 of which were as Head Teacher in Bradford LA primary schools.

I have been part of the Governing Board at Silsden since June 2024 sitting on the Standards and Pupil Welfare committee and as the designated governor for safeguarding. In my short time on the Governing Board, I have been impressed with the dedication of the whole staff team to provide the very best for every child in our care, and I am deeply committed to supporting the school's continued success.

The Governing Board works closely with the Headteacher and staff to ensure that the school provides a safe, inclusive, and high-quality learning environment for all pupils. As Chair, I aim to support strong leadership, uphold high standards, and ensure we remain focused on helping every child reach their full potential.

We value the partnership between home and school, and believe that strong communication with parents and carers is key to a successful school community. Over the next few weeks, we will be writing to you to ask whether there are any of our parents who would like to support our school by becoming members of the Governing Board. It is important that we have a strong and diverse Governing Board that includes people with a range of skills and experiences from across our school community that is prepared to give up some of their time to ensure that our school is a great place for our children to learn and prepares them for the next steps in their lives. We hope lots of you will come forward!

If you have any questions or concerns, or would simply like to know more about the work of the Governors, please do not hesitate to get in touch via the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,

Louise Dale  
Chair of Governors