



Penny Denne - Staff Governor

It is a real pleasure to have become the newest Governor, giving me the opportunity to demonstrate my dedication, enthusiasm and commitment in supporting the school. After having two sons and experiencing parenthood, my interest in education grew. I quickly encountered that education is such a crucial part of any child's development, but most importantly to enable them to flourish as an individual. Over the years, I have embraced working for Kent County Council in a variety of roles. At the beginning of my career pathway, I volunteered helping teachers and staff in classes at my children's school, it was from this moment I knew I wanted to develop my own skills in education.

Over the past twenty-two years I have completed training and upskilled my knowledge and understanding in the world of education whilst working for Kent County Council in several professional roles. I was part of the Skills, Apprenticeship and Employability Team, working with secondary school pupils and employers in different industrials across Kent. I supported the Young Parents Team, teenage mums and dads wanting to continue with their education during pregnancy and after becoming parents and eager to return to education. I have gained experience working in several Primary schools in Ashford and worked in two preschool Nurseries, although these are just a few.

My knowledge, understanding and wealth of education is broad. However, I continue to complete training to maintain my personal goals and aspirations. That said, education is forever changing and expectations of delivering the curriculum can be challenging at times. There is nothing so satisfying then to see children thrive and develop and watch them grow into young adults, this is so very rewarding. Looking back on my personal journey, I have always taken every opportunity to explore and develop myself remembering that as children or as adults we learn something new each day.