

Selwyn governors: summary of skills and experience

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<p>Mr Steve Loganathan – Trust Board appointed Governor and Chair</p>		<p>Steve Longanathan was appointed to the governing body of Selwyn primary school in 2007 and he has been Chair of Governors since 2014. Steve retired as the Director of Business Planning at British Telecommunications PLC in 2013. Prior to that he was a Programme Director managing major projects. He also played a key role in managing major start-up telecommunication businesses in Australia, Germany and France. He is a Chartered Engineer and has BSc in Electrical and Electronic Engineering, MSc in Information Systems Engineering and MBA in Technology Management. He has strong leadership, financial and data analysis skills and a clear understanding of governance processes.</p>
<p>Mr Alex Saunders – Trust Board appointed Governor and Vice Chair</p>		<p>Alex Saunders has served as a parent governor at Selwyn primary school since 2012. He is a self-employed IT consultant with considerable experience in managing high value projects. He has strong performance and financial management skills in ensuring that tasks are delivered to schedule and strong analytical skills in assessing project outcomes against aims and objectives.</p>
<p>Mrs Emma Nicholls - Executive Head teacher</p>		<p>Emma Nicholls has 26 years teaching experience and she has been Head teacher of Selwyn Primary School since 2007. Under Emma’s leadership, the school’s Ofsted assessment has improved from ‘satisfactory’ in 2007 to ‘outstanding’ in 2014. She is a Local Leader of Education and trained Ofsted inspector. In February 2015 she was commissioned by Newham Council to support Portway Primary School, which led to the formation of the Leading Learning Trust in May 2016.</p>

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Mr Mukesh Gunamel – Co-opted Governor		<p>Mukesh Gunamal has been a governor at Selwyn School since 1996. Until 2007 he was a parent governor and is now a co-opted governor. He has previously served as the chair of governors, and was Selwyn’s representative at the Newham Governors’ Forum Association (affiliated to the National Governors’ Association), as well as a numeracy link governor. He is currently Chair of the Finance Committee. Mukesh is keen to carry on contributing to the schools’ development and to help ensure that all the children are able to maximise their potential. He believes in effective communication between parents, governors and the schools. Mukesh is an accountant by background and works for an international firm of accountants. He has also previously worked in industry and commerce.</p>
Mr Magduka Igbuonye – Co-opted Governor		<p>Maduka Ogbuonye is a parent governor at Selwyn primary school and he has served on the governing body since May 2013. He is a Probation Officer with Masters degrees in the Clinical Science of Drug Addiction and Criminology & Criminal Justice Policy. He is currently carrying out research on the Prevent strategy and radicalisation for a Phd. Maduka has high order negotiation and conflict resolution skills as well as risk assessment and risk management skills.</p>
Mr Yingquian Xu – Parent Governor		<p>Yingqian Xu has served as a parent governor at Selwyn primary school since February 2014. He is a Research Manager and Senior Scientist in a high-tech nanotechnology company. He has extensive experience in project management and strategic planning, with strong leadership and budgeting skills. As chair of the laboratory H&S committee at workplace, he also has expertise in the H&S area.</p>

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<p>Mrs Glynis Grant – Trust Board appointed Governor</p>		<p>School Business Manager, Selwyn Primary School. Glynis is based at Selwyn Primary School, but as part of her role, works across the trust, leading health and safety work. Glynis has held a variety of roles across schools and the Local Authority in Newham, which gives her a deep understanding of the local area and the children and families at Selwyn.</p>
<p>Mr Matthew Daniel – School Governor</p>	<p>To be provided</p>	<p>Matthew Daniel has worked in Newham for the past six academic years. He joined the Leading Learning Trust in September 2016 working across, and raising standards in, years two and three at Portway. In September 2017, he was transferred to the flagship school, Selwyn, and is leading in SMSC as well as leading year four. His special interests are emotional literacy and children's mental health and well being. Matthew also has a proven track record in teacher training.</p>