

Personal Statement: Colin Hughes

I am excited to apply for the role of Parent Governor at St Anne's Catholic Primary School. With over 20 years of experience in the technology sector, including 8 years in leadership roles, I have developed strong skills in strategic thinking, problem-solving, and team development. These skills are directly transferable to the work of a governing body, where collaboration, accountability, and a focus on outcomes are essential.

As a qualified coach and NLP practitioner, I specialise in supporting individuals and teams to grow with confidence and resilience. I believe deeply in creating environments where people feel safe, valued, and motivated to achieve their best. This aligns closely with St Anne's mission to nurture happy, respectful, and confident pupils who live and work as Jesus taught us.

My professional background has given me experience in managing budgets, overseeing projects, and making data-driven decisions, which will enable me to make a meaningful contribution to the strategic direction of the school.

I am also a volunteer with Shout UK, providing support to individuals in crisis, which has further strengthened my skills in active listening and empathy - qualities I would bring to this role when engaging with the parent community and supporting the school's leadership.

I am passionate about ensuring every child has the opportunity to thrive, both academically and personally. As a Parent Governor, I would be committed to working collaboratively with others to support St Anne's in continuing to provide an excellent education rooted in its Catholic values.