

SARAH LEADBEATTER—PARENT GOVERNOR

My name is Sarah Leadbeatter. I am a parent Governor. I am truly passionate about West Park School not only because my two children are pupils here, but as an ex pupil myself, I have fond memories of this school and the fantastic education it provided me.

That's why I was so keen to become a parent Governor, so I could have some influence on ensuring our children are provided with the best education where they can perform to their full potential and be the best versions of themselves they can be.

I am a Police Officer and have worked for Sussex Police for almost 17 years now. I currently operate at the rank of Inspector and my main area of responsibility is to manage the local Prevention Team for Adur, Worthing & Horsham. However, I also have responsibility for Critical Incident Management across West Sussex Division.

Within my role I am used to leading a large team of both civilian staff and Police officers to problem solve local issues, whilst working with partners to ensure a joined up approach. Being a leader within Sussex Police I am confident in my decision making and comfortable to challenge where appropriate. However one of my key strengths lies in managing and assessing risk, ensuring appropriate safeguarding measures are in place.

My day job keeps me incredibly busy, however when I do get any spare time I like to go to the gym or you'll find my head buried in a Peter James Roy Grace book!

I have been a Parent Governor for just over a year now and it's certainly been an incredibly steep learning curve for me as my experience and understanding of the education system is still very much growing.

However what I do bring to the role is me, a Mum of two children and someone who like all parents & carers just want the best for my children and therefore my aim as Parent Governor is very much to ensure the school never just settles for being good, but continually drives to be an outstanding school always doing the best for its pupils and staff.

