

Gesher School

Register of Interests - October 2026

Current governing board

Name and appointment	Confirmed	Interests				
		Organisation	Type of interest	Notes	From	To
Name: Mark Cohen Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 16/07/2024 Term of office end: 15/07/2028 Appointed by: Governing Body	Nothing to Declare: 23/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Steven Daniels Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 14/12/2025 Term of office end: 13/12/2029 Appointed by: Trustees	Nothing to Declare: 10/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Ali Durban Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2025 Term of office end: 31/08/2029 Appointed by: Trustees	Nothing to Declare: 17/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Bradley Hartstone Appointment: Parent governor Term of office start: 19/07/2023 Term of office end: 18/07/2027 Appointed by: Governing Body	Nothing to Declare: 23/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Jonathan Mindell Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 19/07/2023 Term of office end: 18/07/2027 Appointed by: Trustees	Nothing to Declare: 22/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-

Name: Ross Petar Appointment: Parent governor Term of office start: 15/04/2026 Term of office end: 14/04/2030 Appointed by: Governing Body	Confirmed: 20/09/2026	Gesher	Sister-in-law	Danielle Petar	15/04/2026	14/04/2030
Name: Jane Rome Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/11/2022 Term of office end: 31/10/2026 Appointed by: Trustees	Nothing to Declare: 15/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Annabel Rose Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 10/07/2025 Term of office end: 09/07/2029 Appointed by: Governing Body	Nothing to Declare: 22/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Per Simonsson Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/04/2026 Term of office end: 31/03/2030 Appointed by: Trustees	Nothing to Declare: 22/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Kalliopi Vardava Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 17/07/2025 Term of office end: 16/07/2029 Appointed by: Governing Body	Nothing to Declare: 21/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Rama Venchard Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 26/04/2026 Term of office end: 25/04/2030 Appointed by: Trustees	Confirmed: 16/09/2026	Silica Associates Ltd	Director	Project Management / Management Consultant	12/05/2005	-
	Confirmed: 16/09/2026	Activate Learning Education Trust	Member	Activate Learning Education Trust is a Multi Academy Trust of 6 schools which include two secondary schools and four University Technical Colleges in the Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Wiltshire areas	01/10/2019	-

Confirmed: 16/09/2026	Gesher School	Chair of Governors	Gesher is an independent all-through special school in Pinner, Harrow that caters for children aged 4-16 years with a range of mild to moderate special educational needs including autism, ADHD, dyslexia and downs syndrome.	22/07/2022	-
	Westfield Academy	Chair of Trustees	Westfield Academy is a secondary school and Single Academy Trust in Watford.	14/01/2025	-
	London South East Academy Trust	Chair of Trustees and Member	LSEAT is a Trust of 14 schools (9 special/AP and 5 mainstream primary).	01/08/2023	-
	Elevare Education Foundation	Trustee	Elevare Education Foundation is an education charity.	01/08/2023	-
	Association of Education Advisers	Board Member	The AoEA provides an accreditation process based on clearly defined competence criteria to ensure quality and consistency in the advice given by senior leaders working in the education system in the UK and internationally.	09/04/2025	-
	North Star Horizons	Other governance role	An independent special school in Enfield	21/04/2026	-
	STEP Academy Trust	Trustee	STEP is a Multi Academy Trust of 20 Primary schools in South London and East Sussex	30/09/2019	09/05/2025
Confirmed: 16/09/2026	DfE London Regional Director's Advisory Board	Member	Advisory boards are responsible for advising and challenging Regional Directors on academy related decisions.	01/09/2022	31/03/2026

	<i>Confirmed:</i> 16/09/2026	Orchard Hill College	Vice Chair of Trustees	OHC is a further education college with 7 centres across London for 19-25 year olds with special educational needs.	28/01/2015	04/08/2026
Name: Tamaryn Yartu Appointment: Ex-Officio Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	<i>Nothing to Declare:</i> 04/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Jonny Atkins Appointment: Associate Governor Term of office start: 15/04/2026 Term of office end: 14/04/2030 Appointed by: Governing Body	<i>Confirmed:</i> 23/09/2026	London School of Jewish Studies	Teacher Training Provider	Teacher Training Provider	01/09/2023	-
Name: David Summers Appointment: Associate Member Term of office start: 08/03/2023 Term of office end: 07/03/2027 Appointed by: Governing Body	<i>Nothing to Declare:</i> 03/09/2026	-	-	-	-	-

Historical positions

Name and appointment	Confirmed	Interests				
		Organisation	Type of interest	Notes	From	To
Name: Graham Sherling Appointment: Associate Member Term of office start: 08/03/2023 Term of office end: 07/03/2027 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 23/09/2026		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Ron Brown Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 19/10/2021 Term of office end: 18/10/2025 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 18/10/2025		-	-	-	-	-

Name: Beth Holmes Appointment: Clerk Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 06/10/2025		Woodhouse College	Clerk to the Trust/Company Secretary		01/05/2011	-
		Clerks of London	Managing Director	Providing governance services to schools, academies and colleges.	01/01/2015	-
Name: Paul Hodgkinson Appointment: Associate Member Term of office start: 08/09/2022 Term of office end: 07/09/2026 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 04/06/2025		Smithills School	Trustee		01/09/2019	-
		Little Lever School	Trustee	Chair of Trustees	01/09/2018	-
		Sapphire Partnership	Trustee	Trustee of Charity Board	15/12/2021	-
Name: Nigel Rose Appointment: Parent governor Term of office start: 01/09/2024 Term of office end: 31/08/2028 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 15/04/2025		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Patricia Soyemi Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 08/03/2023 Term of office end: 07/03/2027 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 04/03/2025		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Kirsten Jowett Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/04/2022 Term of office end: 31/03/2026		Lime Trust	CEO		01/04/2022	-
Name: Jonathan Ornstein Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 19/10/2021 Term of office end: 18/10/2025 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 31/08/2024		JAMI	Clinical Governance Board Member	No conflicts of interest	01/05/2020	-
Name: Nikeisha Webb-Hardy Appointment: Co-Headteacher Term of office start: 01/09/2022		AQA	Examiner and Moderator		31/05/2016	-

Term of office end: 31/08/2026 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 20/04/2024		Ruislip Gardens Primary	Governor		22/03/2023	-
Name: Sam Ziff Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/04/2022 Term of office end: 31/03/2026 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 11/08/2023		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Sarah Sultman Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2021 Term of office end: 31/08/2025 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 11/08/2023		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Andrew Davis Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 19/10/2021 Term of office end: 18/10/2025 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 11/08/2023		Yavneh College	Employee	Deputy Headteacher	05/02/2007	-
Name: Simi Ben-Hur Appointment: Associate Member Term of office start: 08/03/2023 Term of office end: 07/03/2027 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 11/08/2023		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Val Pumfrey Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/05/2019 Term of office end: 30/04/2023 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 30/08/2022		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Howard Zetter Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2021 Term of office end: 31/08/2025 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 21/07/2022		Gesher School	Governor		06/10/2020	-

Name: Michael Kutner Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2021 Term of office end: 31/08/2025 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 21/07/2022	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Laurel Freedman Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2021 Term of office end: 31/08/2025 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 21/07/2022	Kerem School	Governor	my role is safeguarding governor and chair of the safeguarding and wellbeing committee	31/12/2008	-
	Side by Side School	member of Education Committee		31/12/2015	-
Name: Michael Shulman Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/05/2019 Term of office end: 30/04/2023 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/07/2022	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Sebastien Chapleau Appointment: Executive Headteacher Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 12/07/2022	Innovation Unit	Senior Associate		01/03/2020	-
	London South East Academies Trust	Trustee		20/01/2021	-
	Citizens UK	Headteacher-in-Residence and Community Organiser		01/09/2020	-
	Maintenant Sustaining Now	Non-Executive Director		15/01/2020	-
	Bullers Wood School for Boys	Governor		01/11/2018	-
Name: Jamie Peston Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 19/10/2021 Term of office end: 18/10/2025 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 06/01/2022	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Suzi Sendama	Mishcon de Reya LLP	Employee		16/08/2010	-

Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/04/2018 Term of office end: 31/03/2022 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 20/04/2021		Yad Vashem UK Foundation	Trustee/Director	03/12/2019	-
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