



Croydon High School

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GIRLS' DAY SCHOOL TRUST

GOVERNOR BIOGRAPHIES

Mrs Caroline Gulliver – Chair of Governors

Mrs Gulliver is a Senior Equity Research Analyst with nearly 30 years' experience in European financial markets. Caroline holds a BA in Economics & Econometrics and an MBA with Distinction from INSEAD and has been a Managing Director at a variety of European and US investment banks.

Mrs Gulliver is passionate about education and from 2013 to 2018 was Chair of Governors and a Finance Link Governor at an ARK Primary Academy in London.

Mrs Gulliver was appointed a Governor in May 2019, Deputy Chair in September 2020 and Chair in January 2024; her two daughters attend a GDST school.

Ms Nailah Fraser-Haynes - Deputy Chair of Governors / Safeguarding Champion

Ms Fraser-Haynes is a Senior Partnerships and Knowledge Exchange Manager at the Rail Safety and Standards Board, an independent safety, standards, and research body for the GB rail network. She is also a champion for Health and Wellbeing at work. She has over 10 years' experience in relationship management, brand development, and strategic partnerships, including planning and strategy development for collaborative partnerships and networks.

Passionate about communication, she holds a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature and Language from King's College London, and in her spare time enjoys reading, reviewing, and blogging about books.

As an alumna, Ms Fraser-Haynes has lived the Croydon High experience first-hand, and still has fond memories of her time in the Senior School.

Ms Fraser-Haynes was appointed a Governor in October 2022 (*attending her first meeting in January 2023*) and Deputy Chair and Safeguarding Champion in January 2024



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Professor Richard Cook – Parent Governor

Professor Cook qualified BDSHons from the University of London Guy's Hospital Dental School in 1989, having earlier been educated at RGS Guildford. He then worked for three years in Junior Hospital Dental Surgeon posts, graduating as a Dental Faculty Fellow FDS (Gold Medal) from the Royal College of Surgeons of England in 1993, before taking up his first Lecturer post within the then Guy's Hospital Dental School. He then transferred to University of Birmingham to complete his medical degree and after two years of junior medical jobs, completed his Membership in General Surgery from Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh. He returned to the Guy's Hospital Campus, now as an integral part of King's College London, to undertake a PhD as an MRC Clinician Scientist. He continued his Oral Medicine training to consultant level, with a subsequent NIHR Clinical training Fellowship. Richard's Oral Medicine Consultant Fellowship FDS(OM)RCSEd was awarded in 2008 and he took up his consultant appointment at Guy's Campus in 2009, when he also completed his PGCAP, and was awarded Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy as a consequence, soon afterwards.

From September 2019 Richard became Professor/Hon Consultant and Academic Lead for Oral Medicine at the Guy's campus of KCL's Dental Institute. His research interests encompass optics, opto-diagnostics, and applications of non-invasive imaging, to human diagnosis and disease / treatment monitoring, with direct applications to pre-malignant / malignant disease in particular.

His Daughter was born in 2006 and has very much become a Croydon High girl, joining the senior school in the Autumn term of 2018.

His academic and clinical work is paralleled by activities to promote STEM subjects and to ensure equality of opportunity for all aspiring students in admissions and when studying in college. He chaired the successful 2018/19 Athena Swann Silver application for KCL and continues to support equality and diversity.

Professor Cook was appointed a Governor in January 2021



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Mrs Rebecca Evans – Local Governor

Mrs Evans is Head at Sibford School in Oxfordshire. Prior to joining Sibford Rebecca spent ten years at St John's School in Leatherhead, where she assumed progressively more significant responsibilities, culminating in her appointment as Acting Head in her final year. A mathematician by background, she went on to gain a Master's degree from the University of Oxford in teacher education.

Mrs Evans was appointed a Governor in January 2019

Mrs Ros Broyd - Local Governor

Mrs Broyd's links with Croydon High School span more than 50 years. Moving to the Croydon area at the age of 14, she became a pupil in the senior school. Many years later her own daughter attended the school from Nursery to the Sixth Form and Mrs Broyd joined the teaching staff where she shared her passion and skills in Drama for 19 years, before retiring in 2022.

Mrs Broyd holds a Bachelor of Education degree from Newnham College, Cambridge and has wide experience of teaching in primary and secondary schools in both the public and independent sectors. A class teacher in the initial years of her career, she discovered that her greatest passion lay in sharing her skills and expertise as a Drama specialist and she developed a rich programme of study in the Junior School. She has directed and made costumes and props for countless productions during her career at Croydon High School, as well as being involved in external amateur companies and youth theatre groups.

Preparing pupils for LAMDA examinations has been an important part of Mrs Broyd's work at Croydon High over the years. Many have developed their confidence in public speaking through these classes and have achieved exceptional results in a variety of disciplines.

Mrs Broyd was appointed a Governor in October 2022 (*attending her first meeting in January 2023*)



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Mrs Jacqueline Baker - Local Governor

Previously a pupil, then a parent, lastly a governor, Mrs Baker is delighted to re-join the Governing Board with the hope that her governance experience spanning more than two decades will prove useful.

After an earlier career in Finance, she utilised her recruitment and governance experience to develop and manage her own consultancy, offering training and practical support in Headteacher Recruitment and development of senior leaders in schools. Subsequently she joined a Multi Academy Trust with the senior HR remit, including oversight and management of the recruitment for the whole staff of a brand new secondary-phase school.

She has a keen interest in staff development with the belief that a well-led, cohesive and productive team will best serve to deliver an excellent, broad education and a wealth of opportunities for the girls entrusted to Croydon High School.

She continues to sit on the Scholarship Trust, pleased to support an initiative that broadens the availability of the advantages a Croydon High education has to offer.

Mrs Baker was appointed a Governor in November 2023 (*attending her first meeting in January 2024*)