

Governor Spotlight

Continuing our series on school governors, my name is Brian Egles and I've been a governor for 20 years (8 at Fetcham Village Infants and now 12 at Oakfield). I started as a parent governor when my 2 children were at the school and then stayed on as a co-opted governor when they moved on to Therfield.



I'm on the Teaching & Learning working group and am the link governor for both Science and ICT/Computing both of which are particular interests for me after 25 years in Engineering and IT.

For the last 10 years I've been self-employed both as a freelance IT trainer and in running school enrichment days with various science and computing resources including LEGO robotics. I'm very keen for pupils to have the opportunity to develop their practical skills, something I'm very glad to see Oakfield take very seriously.

I'm fortunate to have good connections with the National STEM Centre in York (STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) and have been able to sign Oakfield up for a couple of their free projects in recent years:

Tim Peake Primary Project: <https://www.stem.org.uk/esero/tim-peake-primary-project>

Polar Explorer Programme: <https://www.stem.org.uk/welcome-polar-explorer-programme>

Of course, practical science and ICT/computing can both put a strain on school budgets.

The governors and school are very grateful to the parents and friends of the school for all their fundraising efforts that help to provide our pupils with great resources.

If any parents would like to get in touch with me to ask further questions you can do so via email: brian_egles@oakfield.surrey.sch.uk