

Dawn House School Schools Advisory Board


Updated Autumn Term 2023

The School Advisory Board (SAB) serves as the local advisory body squarely focused on providing insight into the experiences of pupils, parents, staff and the wider community that can't be obtained in any other way. This includes:

- Identifying whether the Board members and the senior management team of Speech and Language UK's understanding of the school matches their 'lived experience';
- Providing feedback on the school's priorities, vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- championing of the school's achievements;
- developing local links to the community for learning, development and employment;
- communication of messages back to the senior management and governance; and
- most importantly, whether pupils, parents and staff feel safe and happy.




If you would like access to the SAB meeting minutes, you may request a copy from the Clerk. Clare Bass clare.bass.clerk@gmail.com

Overarching legal responsibility for the school lies with the Board of Speech and Language UK Services Ltd, through the Education Committee.

Judy Clegg	Chair
	Judy Clegg is Chair of Governors of Dawn House School. Judy is a Professor of Speech and Language Therapy at the University of Sheffield, Judy is Head of Division for Human Communication Sciences, Health Sciences School, University of Sheffield. Judy is a Speech and Language Therapist, a Fellow of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists (RCSLT) and registered with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC). Judy has extensive experience of working with children and young people with speech, language and communication needs (SLCN). Judy's research centres on understanding and meeting the needs of children and young people with SLCN.
John Bennett	Parent member
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Claire Sykes	Community Member (LA representative)
	<p>I have worked in the education sector at Nottinghamshire County Council since 2010 when I joined the team at Nottinghamshire's Pupil Referral Unit (PRU). Following the closure of the PRUs in 2014 I moved into an education commissioning roll, commissioning Independent Non-Maintained schools and Alternative Provision. In 2019 I secured the position of Team Manager for the Alternative Education and Short Breaks Placements team, commissioning education and short breaks for children and young people with an EHCP or disability.</p> <p>In my spare time I volunteer as Chair of the Committee, and have the role of Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officer, of Cotgrave Kids Club. We provide before and after school, and school holiday provision for children age 4-11.</p>
Carey Ayres	Community Member
	<p>Carey is currently the Headteacher of The Joseph Whitaker School, a secondary (11-19) with around 1370 students on roll; she first joined the school as a deputy headteacher in 2017, before taking up post of Headteacher in September 2020.</p> <p>Carey has worked in four secondary schools (across 3 local authorities), throughout her 21 year teaching career, having first qualified as a Science teacher (Chemistry) in 2002. She is committed to ensuring that education provides all young people with the skills and qualities that they need to become successful adults, and positive contributors to their own communities.</p>
Natalie Meyrick	Parent Member
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Alex Rose	Staff member (Teaching)
	<p>Alex joined Dawn House School in September 2021 as our PE Teacher. Alex will join the governing body from September 2022.</p>
Danielle Chadwick	Staff member (non-teaching)
	<p>Danielle joined Dawn House School in March 2021 as a Teaching Assistant. Danielle joined the governing body in September 2021.</p>