

Brendan Pell-Culshaw

Term of Office: February 2020 - February 2024

Hello,

My name is Brendan Pell-Culshaw and I am the Assistant Headteacher here at Hayfield Lane Primary School. I have been working here for just over 6 years now and I am delighted to be part of such a fantastic team, and lead this team along with the Headteacher, Louise Tempest, and the Deputy Headteacher, Vicki-John-Lewis.

I joined the Governing Body as a Co-opted Governor in February 2020 and will remain in place until February 2024.

I have worked in education for 13 years now, in a range of different areas, including my first teaching year in London! I have taught in infant only schools, as well as a faith school, inner city schools before settling here at Hayfield Lane. I have taught in every primary key stage and I am currently now working in the early years setting. I have worked my way up the proverbial ladder, having a range of responsibilities within primary school including; phase leader of every key stage, subject leader of various different subjects, premiums leader (sports premium and pupil premium which is focused on working with disadvantaged children), before becoming Assistant Headteacher, my main responsibility being leader of the curriculum.

I have completed lots of outside CPD courses, including nationally recognized NPQML, NPQSL and NPQH programs which have developed my knowledge and skills of teaching & learning and leadership within education. I also ran workgroups and PD developments for *South Yorkshire Maths Hub* working with up to 34 schools around Doncaster, focused on EYFS developments as well as maths in the early stages.

My reasons for joining the governing body was a simple one. I wanted to continue to drive school standards and developments right from its core roots. I am so passionate about this school and the children and staff who attend it, and for me if I can do anything to improve what we already have, then I want to be part of that journey. My knowledge and skill from working within the school really support what we can achieve on the governing body to help raise standards and expectations for the children at Hayfield Lane. I believe my background and experience will allow me to help achieve this.

I am the father to 3 beautiful boys, who also go to Hayfield Lane Primary school and I would not want them to go anywhere else, as I truly believe that ALL children are valued and catered for in the school.

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