

Mike Cassidy

Mike was appointed to the Governing Body as a co-opted governor in January 2016 and lives in Thurgoland. He is the Co Chair of the governing body as well as having responsibility for Pupil Parliament, PSHE, Staff and Pupil Well-Being, and Headteacher Appraisal.

He has been involved in education as a teacher, senior leader and Headteacher and retired in December 2009 having worked in the primary, middle and secondary phases in both urban and rural schools. He also worked for many years as a Section 47 Ofsted Inspector.

As a School's Advisor for The Diocese of East Anglia he has been involved in supporting both secondary and primary schools advising on a wide range of issues associated with staffing, governance, leadership and relationships with parents.

He has also worked extensively with multi-agencies and Safeguarding to support vulnerable children.

Although retired, Mike continues to be involved in education and currently works on a part time basis with Leeds Children's Services leading a service which advises primary and special school Headteachers.

He joined the Governing Body to make a worthwhile and active contribution to the school in order to sustain and further enhance a learning environment where both staff and pupils feel inspired, valued and supported in fulfilling their potential and aspirations.