

Governance and Compliance

The Pears Family School is lucky to have a team of highly skilled and committed governors.

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The Governing Body meets four times a year. Attendance at the **Board of Trustees** meetings for the year to 31 August 2026 was as follows:

Trustee	Date Appointed	Appointed By *	No. Attended	Out of a Possible
Ms Rosalind Bidmead	19/03/19 (Resigned 2/2/26)	A	1	2
Miss Rebecca Breedon (Staff)	23/9/25	S	2	4
Miss Lesley French	7/7/26	A	1	1
Mr Pierre Gosselin	02/05/18	F	3	4
Jaime Smith	11/8/21(Resigned 7/7/26)	F	3	4
Mrs Peggy Ray (Appointed vice-chair from 29/9/26)	02/05/18	F	3	4
Mr Matthew Hillman (Head Teacher-Accounting Officer)	01/09/18	E	4	4
Mr Michael Annan	7/9/21	A	3	4
Miss Rosemary White	14/6/23	A	3	4
Miss Brenda McHugh	19/3/23 (Resigned 12/3/26)	A	2	2
Miss Julie Greer	1/9/23	A	3	4
Mr John Cape (Appointed Chair from 20/11/19)	19/3/19	A	4	4
Mr Jonathan	25/3/25	P	4	4

Whitehouse (Parent)				
Miss Bojana Grujic,(Parent)	24/9/24	P	3	4
Laura Lower (Staff)	2/7/24	S	3	4

* Key:

A = Academy Members; F = Foundation/Sponsor Members; G= GB/Board;
P = Parents; S = School Staff E= Ex-Officio by virtue of office as Head Teacher

The Sub-Committees are made up of the Finance, Premises & Human Resources Committee and the Achievement & Wellbeing Committee, which meet at certain points throughout the academic year.

Attendance at the **Finance, Premises & Human Resources Committee** for the year to 31 August 2026 were as follows:

Trustee	No. Attended	Out of a Possible
Rosalind Bidmead	1	1
Pierre Gosselin (Chair)	3	3
Matthew Hillman (Head Teacher /Accounting Officer)	3	3
Brenda McHugh	2	2
Prof. John Cape	3	3
Jonathan Whitehouse	3	3

Attendance at the **Achievement & Wellbeing Committee** for the year to 31 August 2026 was as follows:

Trustee	No. Attended	Out of a Possible
Peggy Ray	2	3
Matthew Hillman (Head Teacher)	3	3
Rebecca Breedon	3	3
Bojana Grujic	3	3
John Cape	2	3
Michael Annan	0	3
Laura Lower	1	3
Brenda McHugh	2	2
Julie Greer	2	3
Jaime Smith	1	3
Rosemary White	3	3

Trustee Appointments/Resignations 2020-21

Trustee	Appointed By *
Louise Sykes (Parent) Appointed 25/11/20	P
Jaime Smith – Appointed 11/8/21	F
Mark Martin (Parent) Resigned 11/2/21	
Rebecca Cockcroft – Resigned 14/7/21	

Trustee Appointments/Resignations 2021-22

Trustee	Appointed By *
Michael Annan – Appointed 7/9/21	A
Stephen Taylor Resigned 28/9/21	

Trustee Appointments/Resignations 2022-23

Trustee	Appointed By *
Latifa Begum (Parent Gov) – Appointed 25/1/23	P
Louise Sykes (Parent Gov) – Resigned 18/4/23	
Julie Greer – Appointed 1/3/23	A
Rose White – Appointed 14/6/23	A
Brenda McHugh – Appointed 19/3/23	F
Lake Gledhill – Resigned 21/12/22	
James Deasismont-Bennett – Resigned 18/3/23	
Neil Dawson – Resigned 18/3/23	

Trustee Appointments/Resignations 2023-24

Trustee	Appointed By *
Mr Andrew Thompson (Staff) (Resigned 13/12/23)	
Miss Maya Bell-Kohli (Staff) (Appointed 2/7/24)	S
Mrs Laura Lower (Staff) (Appointed 2/7/24)	S

Trustee Appointments/Resignations 2024-25

Trustee	Appointed By *
Jonathan Whitehouse (Parent Gov) (Appointed 25/3/25)	P
Miss Maya Bell-Kohli (Staff) (Resigned 11/12/24)	
Miss Bojana Grujic (Parent Gov) (Appointed 24/9/24)	P
Ms Latifa Begum (Parent Gov) (Resigned 25/3/25)	

Trustee Appointments/Resignations 2025-26

Trustee	Appointed By *
Rebecca Breedon (Staff) (Appointed 23/9/25)	S
Rosalind Bidmead (Resigned 2/2/26)	
Brenda McHugh (Resigned 12/3/26)	
Lesley French (Appointed 7/7/26)	A
Jaime Smith (Resigned 7/7/26)	

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The following is a list of the **Members of The Pears Family Charitable Foundation School Trust:**

Member	Date Appointed	Appointed By *
John Cape	20/11/19	M
Brenda McHugh	04/03/14	O
Eamon McCrory	06/10/25	A
Prof Peter Fonagy	12/12/12	O
Peggy Ray	23/09/14	FB/S
Anna Freud NCCF Rt Hon Michael Samuel	12/12/12	O

Member Appointments/Resignations 2025-26

Eamon McCrory	06/10/25	A
Jonathan Robinson (Resigned 3/10/25)	12/12/12	
Brenda McHugh (Resigned 12/3/26)	12/03/26	

Member Appointments/Resignations 2020-21

Dame Ruth Runciman (Resigned 24/11/20)	23/9/14	FB/S
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O = Original (signatory) Members