

## Governing Board Members – Pen Portraits

**Mr C Romain** has been Chair of Governors at St Joseph's since 2010. Mr Romain is a solicitor experienced in education law having previously worked in private practice up to partner level and for Brent Council as their Senior Education Lawyer. Mr Romain is presently the Assistant General Secretary for the National Education Union. Mr Romain's wide experience in education includes an eight year period as a parent governor for his daughter's former school Loreto College in St. Albans.

**Mrs D Sylvester-Charles** is the Vice-Chair of Governors. She is a teacher in a secondary school and has over 20 years teaching experience across different schools in London. Mrs Sylvester-Charles has been a governor at St Joseph's for many years. She has two children that both attended St Joseph's.

**Mrs Titus** is Headmistress of St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School. St Joseph's is an outstanding catholic primary school; it is a three form entry school in a deprived area with 550 pupils on roll. Mrs Titus has a degree in primary education, is a qualified teacher and holds the NPQH qualification. She has been a headteacher since September 2008 and is an accredited National Leader of Education and System Leader. Mrs Titus has expertise in all aspects of the primary phase with a particular interest in leadership and management.

**Ms B Kirby** is Deputy Head of St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School. Ms Kirby is a qualified teacher with a degree in English and a postgraduate degree in Primary Education. She has been working at St Joseph's since 2006 and held the post of Deputy Headteacher from 2008 to 2015. She is now the Deputy Head and holds the NPQH qualification. Ms Kirby has expertise in all aspects of the primary phase with a particular interest in Assessment and Religious Education.

**Fr S Willis** is the parish priest at Our Lady of Willesden Roman Catholic Church. Fr Stephen and colleague priests visit the school regularly to support the Catholic ethos.

**Mrs H St Louis** has been a governor at St Joseph's for many years. She has four children who attended St Joseph's and have left the school with brilliant results leading to three continuing their education to university level and another is currently in secondary education. Mrs St Louis has over 25 years' experience in her career as a civil servant.

**Mrs B Doherty** is a retired Headteacher with significant experience in the Catholic education sector. Mrs Doherty continues to support Catholic educational and charities in a voluntary capacity, including her work with CAFOD.

**Mr R O'Shea** is currently a property manager in the NHS and has been employed in the same capacity at two primary schools. He brings a wealth of experience gained working in the construction industry to his role as a governor. Mr O'Shea has four children.

**Mr R Aikman** works for the Premier League as Deputy Online Editor. Before becoming a journalist he was employed as a language assistant at three schools in France. He has three children, including two daughters who attend St Joseph's primary.