



Hello, my name is Claire Groves, until July 2017 I was the leader at Tingewick Preschool, a role I had held since 2000. Prior to that I worked as an Immigration officer at Heathrow and Dover and had trained as a teacher in the 1970's. I have 2 children one is now 27 and in supported living in High Wycombe. She went through the Special school system of Buckinghamshire and my son, now 22, went to Tingewick Infants school in the days when they moved to Buckingham at the end of Year 2.

I became a Governor when my son was at the school, firstly when approached by the then Head Teacher. I was interested in how decisions were made, progress measured, how children with Special needs progressed, and the transition from Preschool to school.

I am currently the Chair of the Standards and Community Committee, Special Educational Needs Governor, Early Years Governor, Performance Management Governor and Transition Governor. In the past I have been on the Buildings and Finance Committee and Vice Chair of Governors. Even after many years as a Governor there are things I find interesting and I am lucky to be in a position to be able to visit the school regularly and see the children and staff, I also try and attend as many events as I can. To me the most important thing is that children leave our school having made the best possible progress for them and they are happy individuals ready to go to the next stage of their education.