

## **Governor Pen Portrait 2019-2020**

**Name:**

Chris Abri

**When did you join the Governing Body and how long have you need a Governor?**

I'm new to the Governing Body, September 2019

**What is your link to the school?**

Child in Reception

**What is your professional background and experience?**

I've spent the last 14 years in Electronics Manufacturing and currently lead a team of Production Engineers within this fast-paced, multi-skilled environment. Nurturing and development of staff is key in my current role and I hope to bring some of these skills to the table as Governor.

**Why did you become a Governor?**

I was very keen to have an input into my Child's education & development. Once I'd done a little research into the role of Governor, I felt my input was something that could benefit the school, as well as my own professional development.

**What do you like about the role?**

It's early days yet, but from what I've seen and the people I've met so far; we have a very enthusiastic, knowledgeable and committed Governing Body. I'm keen to add what I can and get involved where possible. I hope to meet and engage with lots of parents and staff and get to know what matters most to you.

**What are some of the key things you have done as Governor?**

In the short time I've been involved, I've learnt a lot about the way schools are run and how important it is to have strong and effective Leadership as well as a skilled, committed and continuously developing staff.

Having a technical/engineering background, I hope to make a positive difference to the knowledge base, consideration for and infrastructure of the school's technology-based learning.

**What do you think about The Hills as a school?**

My wife and I chose The Hills Academy for our child as we felt that it represented the best opportunity for education in our area. There is clearly a lot of thought and passion that goes into the day to day operation of The Hills and aside from the focus on attainment, the additional enrichment activities really drew us in.

**What are your hopes for the future of the school?**

Like any parent I hope that the school continues to provide the best education for my child.

I hope the school continues to develop and aim for the high standards it has always maintained.