



Beit Shvidler Governor Biographies 2024-25

Geoff Abrahams

Geoff is retired. He was previously the Chief Operating Officer for the London School of Jewish Studies. Prior to joining LSJS he was deputy director of the Community Development Department of the United Synagogue. He is a qualified Electrical Engineer and is also NEBOSH qualified in Health and Safety. He has over 35-year experience working on various committees and boards of management in the Jewish community and has also served as a governor on a primary school.

Jacob Bernstein

Jacob is Managing Director of a central London based consultancy and regulatory hosting platform, focusing on FCA compliance within financial services. Outside work, he is a committed husband and father of two.

Charles Daniels

Charles is a partner in a Central London based Commercial Property Company with his main focus assisting and advising landlords and tenants in relation to commercial rent reviews and lease renewals in relation to shops, offices and industrial property. Outside of work, Charles has been Warden of Mill Hill United Synagogue for the past fifteen years which has provided substantial experience in dealing with communal matters. Charles has three children at BPS and has been a parent at the school for the past seven years.

Belinda Gabriel

Belinda has a background in Speech and Language therapy, with a PhD in 'Developmental Speech Disorders'. She also has an OCR Level 5 diploma in dyslexia. With over 22 years of experience in special needs - both clinically and academically - she is passionate about standards of education, as well as issues related to SEN. Belinda's contribution to the school began when her eldest of two boys first started at BPS. After serving on both the parent council and PTA, she was appointed as a Foundation Governor in 2014, with specific responsibility for SEN.

Mark Garfield

Mark has worked in education for over 25 years. He has held senior leadership roles in a range of Jewish schools and is currently Deputy Head at a school in Hendon. Mark has been a Head of Kodesh, Safeguarding Lead, SENDCo and has taught across the primary and secondary age range. He has an MA in Leadership and Management and holds NPQH (National Professional Qualification for Headship). Mark is passionate about school improvement and ensuring that every pupil has the best opportunity to fulfil their potential. Mark is an Honorary Officer (Gabbai) at EAYC and is also learning for semicha through the Montefiore Endowment.

Leah Glick (Headteacher)

Mrs Glick has been in primary education for over 25 years. She has taught in all key stages, gaining a range of experiences and insights of how the child's educational journey progress and the impact that the Early Years' experience has on the child's view of themselves as a learner. Mrs Glick has also mentored teachers, helping them find their feet in the classroom as well as guiding them on building a range of teaching methodologies into their practice. She has a keen interest in integrating the use of IT within lessons to further enhance learning and connection to the topic. As Head of Kodesh, she led the team to aim for high standards in the classroom, setting a demanding yet thrilling curriculum as well as promoting an excitement for Torah and Mitzvos in all areas of the children's learning.

Mrs Glick was appointed Head teacher of Beit Shvidler in September 2023.

Daniela Grossman

Daniela has been a primary school teacher for over 10 years with a strong passion for education and in particular SEN. She is currently a qualified SENCO and also has a strong background in Maths having trained as a Numbers Count teacher. She enjoys mentoring peers and has extensive experience in teacher training. Contributing to the development of the school is extremely important to her and she has served on both the PTA and Parent Council. Daniela is a Foundation Governor, appointed to the governing body in April 2016. Daniela currently has 2 children in the school.

Lauren Juter (Staff Governor)

I grew up in South Africa and followed my passion to become a teacher, qualifying with a BA in Primary Education in 2005. Upon my arrival in England 17 years ago, I successfully gained QTS and ever since have been teaching at Jewish Schools in Edgware.

Throughout my teaching career, I have taught hundreds of children ranging from Nursery to Year 6. Throughout this time, I have taken on various roles such as Key Stage One Lead, Head of Phonics, Geography, PSHE, School Council and Maths. I have also completed the Outstanding Teachers programme as well as having the opportunity to mentor newly qualified teachers and have taken great pleasure in doing this. However, my greatest passion lies in teaching maths to children who struggle or have maths anxiety. This led me to qualifying as a Dyscalculia and Maths Learning Difficulties Specialist. I am a proud member of the Dyscalculia Network. I also work for a charity that supports children's early maths intervention.

At Beit Shvidler my role is teaching the Early Years through to Key Stage Two, and I am responsible for the maths curriculum. I remain passionate about children's education, and I am excited to participate more actively in helping to guide the strategic direction of the school, in order to achieve the best outcomes for pupils, staff and the wider community. I am eagerly looking forward to taking on the role of staff governor as it will allow me to express my opinions in the vision and future of this wonderful school.

Jordan Lewis

Parent of four children, with two currently at BSPS. Jordan founded a recruitment agency in 2013 covering Commodities and Private Banking markets. Always up a for a challenge, he is looking forward to contributing to the governance of an incredibly warm and nurturing school.

Alan Milstein

Alan is a qualified accountant with over 20 years' experience across audit, forensic accounting and financial management. He is currently the Group Financial Manager and Risk Officer of a financial Services company. Alan was appointed to the governing body in November 2022. He currently has one child in the school.

Avi Orenstein

Avi is a seasoned property investment professional with over a decade of expertise in the London market. As Investment Director for a private £200+ million property company, he leads acquisitions, sales, funding, developments, refurbishments and asset management. Avi is a Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (MRICS) and holds First-Class Hons BSc in Investment & Finance in Property from the University of Reading. Outside work, he is a committed husband and father of three, and actively contributes as a trustee for a charity and a mentor for a charitable foundation. Avi also serves on the educational committee for the EAYC.

Shaul Rosten

Shaul is an investment analyst, with a daughter in Reception at BSPS. He brings to the Board of Governors his professional experience of evaluating businesses and organisations, analysing financial data, and assessing the performance of leadership teams. When not poring over annual reports, he loves unwinding with a good book, and spending quality time with his wife and three young children

Anthony Steinberg

Anthony is currently a partner in a financial advisory firm, having previously been a consultant in an executive search and leadership consulting firm. In that capacity, Anthony helped in making assessments of managers based on qualitative analysis and data obtained from psychometric testing. Anthony also provided mentoring and coaching to individuals on career development and problem solving as well as managing themselves in complex organisations with multiple stakeholders. Anthony is a parent of three children at BSPS, giving him experience of some of the day to day issues which arise in the school. Anthony is currently Co Vice-Chair of Governors.

Jenny Wilks

I have been in education for 20 years and have a passion for teaching and learning, school leadership and SEN. I have previously a middle leader at a large Jewish Secondary School and I am now a deputy headteacher at a Jewish Primary school in Brent. I am also a member of the planning committee for deputy and assistant heads BSP group, and supported schools updated consultancy roles to support the curriculum and assessment areas.

Historic Governors

Paul Baker

Paul is a qualified chartered accountant with experience of charity accounting and audit, and significant experience in financial markets risk management and control assessment.

Brian Gordon

Brian is a qualified Senior Project Manager who has worked in various areas of consultancy, government and private industry. Brian's background is based in technology where he started working writing and developing software. In recent years, Brian has developed a passion for sharing knowledge and has worked to teach and coach a variety of ages in sports and technology.

Eli Kosiner

Eli is the director and practice principal of a financial service business spanning the last 20 years assisting clients with residential and commercial property finance. Specifically helping home owners, investors, schools and shuls to name but a few in securing finance. He also served on the EAYC board for 8 years in various capacities.

Jacob Palmer

Jacob is the EAYC Link and Kodesh Governor. He has been in Edgware for most of his life and has three children at BPS. Jacobs is a management consultant for a strategy consulting firm, with a focus on insurance. He is also on the Board of the EAYC.

Daniel Wynne

Daniel had a background in consulting before pursuing a career in Banking, holding a number of senior trader positions. Daniel is currently consulting at a regulatory reporting firm whilst working on a private venture in his spare time.