



Heritage & Community

Latchmere and Latchmerians have a real sense of history, of past and place, of community, of shared experiences, childhood and of belonging to something special - a sense underpinned by the school's link to many different generations within the same family.

Latchmere Road School opened in 1936 and from that time it has served the parents, grandparents and great grandparents of many of the children who are here today. This continuity spans over 70 years, creating a sense of identity that is reinforced by the strong links we still have with many of our past pupils. We not only count old Latchmerians amongst our parent body but among our staff and the volunteers who support the school.

On a single site we also offer a Breakfast Club, After School Club and Holiday Club, to assist parents and carers in finding quality care for their children out of school hours. As the children are already familiar with the school environment, there is a sense of continuity and comfort in their out of hours time.

Our clubs offer healthy snacks and organised activities suitable to each of the many age groups. All are very popular and heavily subscribed.

Governors

The Governing Body at Latchmere is responsible for the strategic leadership of the school and for determining its aims, objectives and policies. Mrs Ritchie manages the operation of the school on a day to day basis and is the Governing body's principal advisor.

There are 19 volunteers on the Governing Body and all are actively and enthusiastically involved in school life, working to help the school achieve its vision and adhere to its values. We are made up of parents, staff and members of the local community.

Our aim is to help Latchmere to provide the best possible learning experience for its pupils. We do this by:

- Working strategically to raise standards, monitoring and evaluating progress towards the school's priorities and targets.
- Supporting the Head Teacher and staff whilst also challenging their expectations.
- Accounting to all stakeholders for the school's overall performance and for the decisions they have made.

We meet twice a term as a full Governing Body with much of the decision making being driven by our committees. The committees are:

- Curriculum and Achievement
- Finance & Premises
- Community and Staffing

We always welcome observers at our meetings and, from time to time, have vacancies for new Governors. If you are interested in finding out more about the role of a Governor please email governors@latchmereschool.org

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Chair of Governors