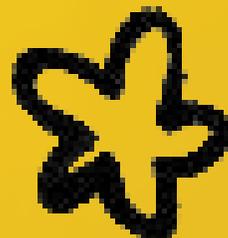
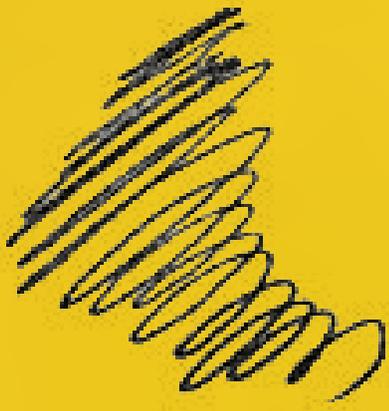


Our trustees and Members Book

2025-26

Tennyson Learning Community







Hilary Power

Hilary is a National Leader of Education and has enjoyed a fulfilling career as an educator for 50 years across the home counties.

Hilary was appointed headteacher of Tennyson Road Primary in April 2006 and led the school through to its current Outstanding Ofsted judgement with Tennyson Road becoming a National Sport School.

The school has tripled in size and continues to ensure the pupils make outstanding progress - outcomes have consistently placed the school in the top 2 or 3 per cent nationally in English, writing and mathematics.

Hilary was appointed to the Trust's Central Team on 1 May 2019 as CEO and Trustee upon conversion of Tennyson Road Primary and the incorporation of the Tennyson Learning Community.

Hilary is also the accounting officer for the Trust.

Simon Speirs

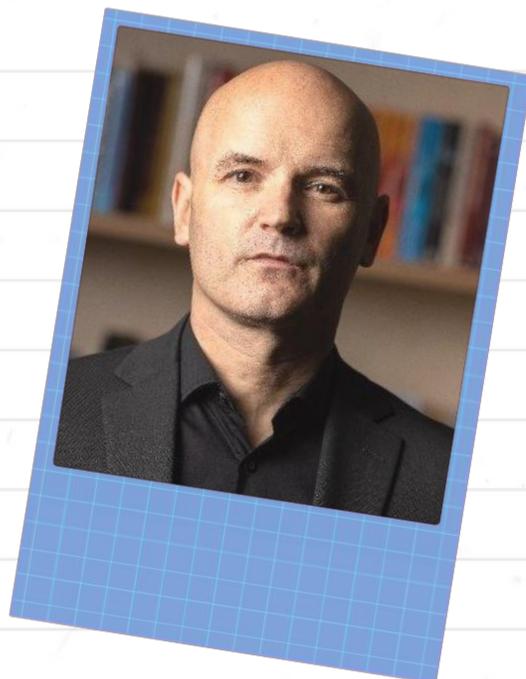
Simon is a qualified management accountant successful in applying commercial principles to either to win, create or maintain sustainable business models within Finance, Procurement, IT and other SG&A business services.

Simon has wide and varied business experience having carried out roles such as consulting for business performance improvement, project management (transition, transformation and IT implementation), account & service management, business development, finance and IT operations delivery.

Simon is well placed to oversee Tennyson Road Primary School and Lime Tree Primary Academy in the position of Chair of the Board and enjoys working with staff at both schools and the Central Executive Team.



JEREMY DODD



I currently work as the Headteacher of The Avenue Centre for Education, comprising a 100 place pupil referral unit and a Tier 4 CAMHS Hospital provision.

I have worked in education for 20 years, 14 of these as a senior leader in pupil referral units and alternative provision academies.

In 2022 I was asked to write a blog for the Department for Education on Early intervention and support for students in alternative provision.

I am pleased to support the Tennyson Learning Community in my role as Member and Trustee, so that we collaboratively improve outcomes for the children of Luton and the surrounding areas.



Adrian Rogers

Adrian Rogers is a prominent figure in the education sector, serving as the CEO of Chiltern Learning Trust in Luton, Bedfordshire.

He has been instrumental in growing the Trust from three to eighteen schools and has been a National Leader of Education for fourteen years.

Adrian has a rich background in education, having spent thirteen years as a Headteacher and Executive Head, setting up a Trust from his base school. His leadership has been recognized with the MAT of the Year trophy at the 2025 MAT Excellence Awards, highlighting his significant impact on education and the community.

Catherine Stormonth

Cathy had a successful marketing career with the Boots Company, before embarking on a second career in education over 36 years ago.

Cathy quickly became an Ofsted School Inspector and served for 29 years before retiring in 2020.

She was also headhunted to be the Commercial Manager for the Buckinghamshire Local Authority, working across Children's Services including the School Improvement Department

Cathy served as a parent governor at her children's school and as a governor for both a federation of schools in Bedford.

Cathy is a past pupil of Tennyson Road Primary School and has a great fondness for the school and all its amazing achievements.



Charchita Misra

Charchita Misra is a MBA and Chartered Engineer with demonstrable expertise in infrastructure asset management, critical facility management and engineering compliance across various sectors.

Prince2 certified and proven track record in delivering technical projects, compliance assurance programs and capital investment planning for blue chip organisations.

12 years' experience includes operational engineering management, developing asset strategy and capital equipment valuations in Big4. Passionate about promoting STEM careers and a diversity and inclusion champion for Nokia UK and Ireland.





Tracy Cowan

Tracy has been a National Leader of Governance for over 10 Years, initially joining Tennyson Road Primary as a parent governor 15 Years ago when her children attended the School.

An experienced Chartered Manager, her career has seen her develop the business management in several learning institutions in both the public and private sectors.

As the now Group Chief Operating Officer of The Bedford College Group, Tracy holds a wealth of charity law knowledge, combined with strong governance skills and experience in business and education management to her role as Board Member of the Tennyson Learning Community.

She is a supportive asset to the Trust, whilst providing challenge to all strategic plans and decisions to ensure the Trust operates as a sustainable business at all times.

