

ANDREW CUPPLES

As an Instonian, a parent of two Year 8 boys at RBAI, and the son of a former staff member, I have a strong connection and affinity with the school's ethos and values. I am passionate about ensuring every pupil receives the highest standard of education, while also being supported pastorally to realise their full potential.

Professionally, I bring extensive experience as a senior leader in the engineering industry, with a strong skillset in strategic planning, project and risk management, budget oversight, and governance. I am also a collaborative team player. My voluntary involvement, including service on a church committee and leadership roles within the Boys' Brigade and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, further equips me to make a meaningful and positive contribution as a parent governor.

STEPHEN FEENEY

As a former international athlete, representing Ireland as a junior and later Great Britain at senior level, I won gold and silver medals at the World Championships. Competing at this level instilled in me the values of discipline, teamwork, and the pursuit of excellence - qualities that are central to RBAI's proud sporting and academic tradition.

Following my athletic career, I specialised in psychological coaching, working with leading schools including Eton, St. Paul's, and Lady Eleanor Holles. Each achieved national championship success during my tenure, with the St. Paul's team regarded as one of the best school sports teams in history worldwide for their age. I also have worked alongside World and Olympic Champions, equipping them to perform under pressure and thrive both academically and in sport. These experiences have given me a deep understanding of how to build environments where people can excel and develop confidence, resilience, and teamwork.

As co-chair of the Inchmarlo Parents' Association and a parent of a P3 pupil, I am passionate about contributing to the school community. My MSc in Positive Psychology and Coaching Psychology aligns with RBAI's ethos, and I am committed to supporting every pupil to reach their full potential, continuing the school's legacy of excellence and enjoyment in all areas of life.

PAM GILLIES

Pam Gillies is the mother of three sons currently attending RBAI in Years 14, 12 and 9. A Chartered Accountant and Partner at corporate finance firm HNH Partners Limited, Pam has nearly 30 years of experience in finance raising, strategic planning and supporting organisations through periods of growth and transformation.

For the past four years, Pam has served as a member of the Board of Governors at BRA, where she also sat on the Finance, Audit & Risk and Strategy Sub-Committees.

“As a former pupil of Belfast Royal Academy, I was honoured to contribute to the work of the Board and to support the continued improvement of the school. I would now welcome the opportunity to bring that experience to RBAI, assisting the Board in delivering its strategic vision and ensuring that future generations of pupils benefit from the exceptional education and opportunities offered at RBAI.”

JANE HOLLWAY (B.COMM., L.L.B., H.DIP. EUR. LAW, SOLR)

Jane trained and became partner in leading corporate law firm McCann FitzGerald, working across offices in Dublin, London, Brussels and Boston. Moving to Belfast, Jane joined Arthur Cox as projects partner and later managed a boutique corporate finance practice. Jane lectured part time in Trinity College Dublin and U.C.D. and was Director of the Legal Innovation Centre in Ulster University, a pioneering initiative, fully integrating experts from the School of Law and the School of Computing and Intelligence. She was Course Director of the MSc in Corporate law, Computing and Innovation, working alongside industry partners to deliver the requirements of an AI focussed professional landscape whilst developing independent thought and analysis.

Married to Paul (Inchmarlo/RBAI '77-87), Jane's five sons attended Inchmarlo and RBAI, three of whom have played hockey and/or cricket for Ulster and Ireland. Jack is studying Engineering in Imperial College London and Michael (Deputy Head and Captain of 1st XI '24/25) is studying Economics at the University of Bath. Frank (AS), Charles (GCSE) and Paul (Y9) are in RBAI.

Jane understands the challenges of raising sons of varying academic and sporting ability/maturity, as well as the support required from Inchmarlo/RBAI to achieve academic excellence balanced with extra-curricular physical and social enrichment, so as to fulfil each individual boy's full potential.

IAIN LATHAM

I am a former pupil of the School, having attended Inchmarlo from 1969 to 1975 and RBAI from 1975 to 1982.

I worked for Danske Bank for 41 years and retired in March 2025. I am a Project Management Professional and positions held during this time included Head of Development (Ireland) and Head of Change Management. I was also a Director of UK Mobile Payments Service Company from 2014 to 2021.

My son, Conor, is in Year 10 and is a keen rugby player, footballer and golfer.

I have played an active role in many sports, having been heavily involved in Instonians Cricket and Hockey Clubs and a member of Malone Golf Club for over 45 years.

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