

Name: Sarah Levinsky



Role: Member/Governor

Particular areas of responsibility:

Departmental attachments – Creative Arts (Art, Drama, Dance & Music)
Lifestyle

Background Experience:

I am a lecturer in Dance and Theatre at Falmouth University, based on the Tremough Campus, near Penryn College, in the Academy of Music and Theatre Arts (AMATA). Alongside this, I am a theatre director, choreographer, workshop leader and researcher, and prior to moving to Cornwall with my family in 2016 (to do a PhD in dance and technology) I also worked as a consultant arts strategist and fundraiser for various arts organisations. Much of my theatre and dance work has been in participatory and community settings, working with people with lived experience of homelessness and refugees/asylum seekers. I am passionate about creativity and the arts and their power to transform lives and to inspire new ways of thinking about the world.

Key areas of Business Expertise, Experience and Qualifications:

Education, community engagement, project development, organisational change

Other information:

I am really interested in curriculum development and pedagogical practices, and want to support Penryn College as it challenges itself to be creative, inspiring and imaginative about how it prepares its students for 21st century life.

Sarah says:

“I feel very lucky that we have a great school here in the community, with a committed and enthusiastic staff body, and an ethos which values the individual potential of all the children. I am proud to be a parent governor of Penryn College, having joined in November 2021, and want to contribute to ensuring that all children coming through the school can thrive and that no-one falls under the radar.

“In my job as a university lecturer, I am inspired by the young people I work with all the time – they give me hope for the future, despite the enormity of the social, economic and environmental problems they have inherited. I am deeply committed to helping Penryn College develop its students to be resilient, to inspire other people, and to lead the change they want to see happen in the world.”

Key Area of Interest as a Governor:

The wellbeing of the children and the learning community the school fosters to ensure that every child can develop their individual passions, interests, and curiosity.