

Hello, my name is Filiz McNamara and I am a parent governor. Both of my children go to Dr South's and enjoy school as well as all the extra-curricular activities offered throughout the year — Forest School and the annual play are certainly their favourites. I live with my husband and children in Horton-cum-Studley. We chose the school because it offers opportunities for our children inside and outside the classroom, encouraging them to grow in their academic, social and personal confidence in preparation for secondary school. As full-time working parents, we rely upon the School's wrap-around care, which is excellent. I am a member of the School's Teaching and Learning committee. I am passionate about creating an inclusive, caring and welcoming learning environment within the school with a particular focus on mental health and wellbeing which I try to bring to all aspects of my work as a parent governor. I work as the Head of the Academic Office in one of the Colleges at the University of Oxford and have lived in Oxfordshire for over 20 years.