



# St. Benet's R.C Primary School

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## GOVERNOR PEN PORTRAIT

NAME :	Miss Ashleigh Summerside
POSITION :	Parent Governor
BACKGROUND :	I am a Secondary school teacher and my specialist subject area is geography. I am also a Special Educational Needs Coordinator which involves supporting my school to help the most vulnerable pupils. I have worked in a variety of settings during my teaching career including specialist provision and the private sector. I am actively involved in educational research particularly looking at boosting young people's confidence and the self-efficacy of learning.
IN SCHOOL :	I have a particular interest in supporting underachieving pupils as well as those with special and additional educational needs. I am keen to work in partnership with our staff to continue to produce challenging curriculums, within a supportive pedagogical environment.
OUTSIDE SCHOOL :	I have two young children, who keep me very busy. I am a keen runner and enjoy racing to keep my body and mind active. I am also an avid Sunderland supporter and hold a season ticket. I love being part of our parish community and volunteer to read at mass and help with children's liturgy when I can.

**Chair of Governors**  
Mrs Denise Willis