



## TRUSTEE PROFILES

### Sue Softly – CHAIR OF TRUSTEES

Sue has worked in a variety of roles within Health Visiting and Children's Services over the past 30 years, both in Herefordshire and Worcestershire, including leadership management and teaching within the NHS. She currently works part-time as a Manager within Children's Services in Wye Valley NHS. In a previous life, she was a Health Visitor for rural areas that included Clifton-upon-Teme and understands the aspirations and challenges of a rural nursery and the people it serves. Sue was born in Stanford Bridge, moved away to train as a nurse, returning to marry and bring up two girls within the valley. Her hobbies include walking and browsing antique and junk shops!

### Serena Spring

Serena lives in Hanley Childe and both her boys attend the EYC. She chose the EYC because it was the only local nursery offering all year care. Serena works part-time for a marketing consultancy. As a trustee, she brings passion for her children's care and development and with that the nursery's constant enhancement and improvement, alongside 14 years of marketing experience.

### John Fletcher

John has lived in Clifton-Upon-Teme since 1968 and adjacent to the EYC for most of that time. His older children received their education at the primary school, and his younger children have all attended the EYC. John is now retired from a manufacturing business in the Black Country and 'potters' with property investment, classic cars and travel as well as owning our local village pub, The Lion. As a Trustee, John brings with him many years' business experience and a long-term love of the village and its community, of which the EYC plays an integral part in its future.

### Jacqui Rowe

Jacqui, a local primary school teacher, lives in Clifton upon Teme with her young family. Both boys use the EYC for the preschool and before school care. Jacqui is passionate about Early Years education, bringing 15 years of experience with her. She is dedicated in supporting the EYC in its development and improvements for the benefit of the village and surrounding areas.

### Sarah Stevens

Sarah lives in Clifton upon Teme and her son attends the EYC. She works part time as a HR Business Partner for a large organisation offering a wide spectrum of customer support services to the general public and brings with her a wealth of experience at all levels within the HR spectrum to assist the development of staff working at the nursery. Sarah is passionate about making Clifton upon



Teme nursery the preferred childcare provider within the local community through enhancing and continual development of its services.

### **Val Pardy**

Val Pardy joins with 30 years' experience of being a teacher in Bristol, North Shropshire and Devon. For 15 of those years Val specialised in working alongside children with special educational needs in mainstream schools. Val then re-trained in 2000 as an educational psychologist and worked for Worcestershire Children's Services until March 2014. Val is a grandmother of 7 children and in her free time is a bell ringer, hill walker and enjoy various crafts.

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