

## WO2 LEE HOLLINGWORTH COMPANY SERGEANT MAJOR 2 MERCIAN

I have currently served 23 years having joined the Army in 1996 and enlisting into the 1st Bn The Worcestershire & Sherwood Foresters Regiment. Early service included postings to Catterick, Tidworth, Botswana, Omaha and Chester. I deployed to numerous operational theatres including Bosnia, Northern Ireland, The Falkland Islands and 3 tours of Afghanistan; i have also deployed on overseas exercises to Botswana, Belize, Kenya, Canada and Germany. I have also served at one of many Army careers offices recruiting young school leavers and advising on various aspects of a military career. I also hold a CMI level 6 diploma in leadership and management. I am one of 5 Company Sergeant Majors in 2 MERCIAN and am responsible for 136 serving officers and soldiers. I am also the unit retention warrant officer, and a qualified equality inclusion and diversity advisor. I am currently working tirelessly towards the next chapter of my military career.

I was delighted to be asked to consider being a School Governor. St John's School offers an outstanding educational opportunity and one that I feel I can add value and support to from a leadership perspective. I recognize the importance that the school has on developing and mentoring our young people into achieving their highest ambitions. I look forward to working with both the staff and pupils alike in the near future.

I am married to Louisa, who herself is very active within the community with various voluntary work and have a daughter currently studying for her GCSE'S in the UK.

I also have a step daughter who attends St Johns School and I feel i can add value from the perspective of a parent and a school governor.

I am also a keen, but very amateur road cyclists, preferring the stability of running shoes under my feet.

Lee Hollingworth