

Northfield Manor Primary Academy

Staff Leaflet



The Reception staff team are pleased to welcome you to the school. Here is some information regarding key staff who will be involved in your child's education during their first year in school.

In Reception we have two classes with 30 pupils in each class. We also have a teaching assistant who will work alongside each class teacher.

We look forward to meeting you and your child.



Miss Howes originally came to Northfield Manor Primary Academy as a PGCE student and was delighted to be given her first teaching position in Year 1. She specialised in Early Years teaching at university. She is very excited to start her sixth year at the school; she taught Year 1 for three years and then moved into EYFS. When she is not at school, Miss Howes likes to read, play sports and enjoys going to the theatre with her friends!

Willow Class Teacher-
Miss Howes



Mr Carr has worked at Northfield Manor Primary Academy since 2012 and this will be his fourth year in Reception. Having spent most of his life living and working in Galway, Ireland, he moved to England in 2011 to pursue a career in education. During school time, Mr Carr loves outdoor play, gardening with the children and generally having lots of fun. In his own time, Mr Carr likes to collect and restore retro video games and games consoles and visit car museums. Mr Carr really looks forward to meeting you and to having lots of adventures with you during your time in Reception.

Oak Class Teacher-
Mr Carr

The catering team will also be well known to your child as they collect their school dinner if they are having one from school. They will be familiar to your child and they are there to support your child with any dietary requirements.



Miss Burley
Catering Manager



Miss Myers
Assistant Cook



Mrs Wittington
Kitchen Assistant



Mr Menka
Kitchen Assistant



Mrs Hemsley
Kitchen Assistant



Miss Crawford
Kitchen Assistant

An important part of school life is communication with our office staff. These are the faces of our school office and they are happy to support in any way they can or can signpost you to the most appropriate person if they cannot assist themselves.



Miss Ambersley started at Northfield Manor in October 2020 and is trained in the early years. Miss Ambersley has a background working predominantly with pupils who have special educational needs. She is Makaton Trained and also she is a trained gymnastics coach. In her spare time, Miss Ambersley does dancing and reading and spends time with her friends and family.



Miss Shaw first came to Northfield manor two and a half years ago after moving to Birmingham from Nottingham. She has taught within ks1 and ks2 for the past eight years. Miss Shaw is looking forward to working in reception this year and getting to know all of the new children. When Miss Shaw is not at school she likes to dance, cook and spend time with her family, friends and two little cats.



Mrs Taylor
Business Support
Officer



Mrs Evans
Business Support
Officer



Mrs Williams
Finance Officer

Willow Class Teaching Assistant-
Miss Shaw



Head Teacher
Mrs Pennington

Mrs Pennington is the person lucky enough to be the Head teacher of Northfield Manor Academy. She joined the school in September 2017. You will see Mrs Pennington every Friday during our Celebration Assembly where she enjoys presenting the certificates to children who have tried particularly hard that week. Mrs Pennington thinks that everyone has their own special talents and she loves seeing how Northfield Manor pupils learn and grow. In her spare time she likes to read, watch films and take her dog for long walks in the countryside.



Deputy Head Teacher
Mr Seex

Mr Seex joined the school in February 2019 and is Deputy Head Teacher. You will see him around so please say hello and let him know if there is anything at all that we can help with. He can often be found in classrooms talking to children about their learning and working with teachers to continue to develop their practice so that we are all the very best that we can be. In his spare time he likes to travel (although not so much lately!) and keep fit.



Assistant Head Teacher
Mrs McCarty

Mrs McCarty began her teaching career at Northfield Manor Academy and has loved every minute of it. She has over 20 years experience of teaching and has led most subjects during that time. Mrs McCarty spends time in class covering for teachers, alongside her role in supporting the Senior Leadership Team. She is a Designated Safeguarding Lead and supports the SENCO whenever she can. When she is not at work her time is spent bringing up her own two boys.



Assistant Head Teacher/ SENCO
Mrs Painter

Mrs Painter joined the school in September 2016 and is Assistant Head Teacher and Special Educational Needs co-ordinator and has previous experience of working in a special school. Her work mostly spent supporting teachers and with the children who have additional needs. Mrs Painter enjoys travelling and spending time with her husband and daughter and going for walks in the countryside. Mrs Painter enjoys dancing and still competes in various styles with her dance school and is an officer within The Girls Brigade.



Mrs Sheldon
Safeguarding Officer

Mrs Sheldon has worked in education for 26 years and joined Northfield Manor in September 2013 as Safeguarding Officer. Her main role in school is being first point of call for all pupils, staff and parent/carers who have any child protection or safeguarding concerns. She will work closely with children and families who may be experiencing difficulties, this could be as simple as a misunderstanding with friends or it could be a more complex issue such as bereavement or a change in family circumstance. Mrs Sheldon enjoys spending time with her family and visiting new places with friends.



HLTA/Learning mentor
Miss Wilde

Miss Wilde joined the school in December 1999 and is a Higher Level Teaching Assistant and Learning Mentor. She spends her time supporting teachers and works with children carrying out interventions to support their learning. She works alongside Mrs Sheldon to help pupils overcome behavioural, social or emotional problems that are affecting their learning. Miss Wilde enjoys traveling and spending time with her three children and two grandchildren.