

Adswood Primary Senior Leadership Team

Introducing Ourselves

Mrs Michelle Smart - Headteacher

This year marks my 27th year at Adswood Primary School!

My final student placement at Manchester University was based at Adswood Primary and I was appointed as Year 1 teacher in September 1998! I was the Year 1 teacher to some of our current parents when they were age 5!

In 2017, I became Deputy Headteacher for 9 years. I had my three daughters during this time who are now age 15, 11 and 9 years. I was appointed as Headteacher in Summer 2016.

Adswood Primary is like a second family - it holds a special place in my heart. I know many of you well and have watched some of you grow into parents yourselves and some even grandparents! There is no place like Adswood and I am proud each day to lead and manage our school with the most wonderful children, staff and community.

Mrs Amanda Lennon - Deputy Headteacher / Curriculum Lead

I am a local girl - born and bred in Stockport!

In February, I will have served 23 years at Adswood Primary. I began the position on a 2 day part time basis whilst bringing up two children. This then developed into a full time position leading Key Stage 2. I became Deputy Headteacher in 2022. Prior to this, I was Assistant Headteacher.

I have two children - a daughter who is studying Law and a son studying Business Studies. We are all keen Manchester United fans!

My role in school is to lead all curriculum areas, lead Key Stage 2 and deputise in the absence of Mrs Smart. This is a school like no other - and I am proud I have worked here for 23 years. It is lovely to see so many ex pupils come back to say hello and share how well they are doing.

Mrs Sarah Gee - Assistant Headteacher / SEND Lead

I started my career as a midday assistant and have previously worked in a special setting as a Teaching Assistant. I came to teach at Adswood Primary as a student in 2006 and have taught across all year groups.

I have always had an interest in Special Educational Needs and proudly became the SENDco in 2018, followed by Assistant Headteacher in 2023.

Everyday is different in Adswood Primary and I wouldn't have it any other way! I care strongly for the Adswood community and strive to create an inclusive environment for all.

I have two primary aged children of my own, who are complete opposites of each other and keep me on my toes!

Mr Richard Clarke - Pastoral and Care Manager / Attendance Lead

I studied Business Studies at University and worked for 3 years in the financial sector. I left this area of work and moved to work in North Manchester's Children's Homes supporting 14-18 year olds who had multiple failed placements. From here, I worked in a secure unit for young offenders in Salford called Barton Moss. The work involved interventions with youths including reintegration back into society. At this time, I completed a masters in Counselling.

In 2017, I joined Adswood Primary in the role of Pastoral and Care Manager leading on Safeguarding, Attendance and the role of Senior Mental Health Practitioner - supporting the mental health of our school community - both children and families.

I have two children age 13 and age 11. I currently run two football clubs after school and manage matches at weekends. I also try, and fail, at singing in a band!!!

Miss Emma Hulmes - Early Years Lead and Class teacher

I completed a degree in Design and Visual Arts and went on to completing a PGCE at Liverpool Hope University. I have always wanted to be a teacher. I started my career working in a residential school for boys and then moved to Alexandra Park Primary School for 18 years. I have had experience of working in most year groups and spent 11 years in a Year 6 class - now teach Reception and enjoy every minute!

This is my third year of teaching at Adswood Primary and it really is the best place to be! The school, community and the children are unique. I smile everyday knowing we have made a difference.

I have two teenage daughters who use me as a taxi every evening and at weekend!!!

Miss Lucy Hammond - School Business Manager

Since starting work in Education in 2014, I worked as the Adswood Primary School Administrator for 6 years, front of house in the school office. I then moved onto Financial Assistant before being appointed as School Business Manager in 2022. I lead finance, site and work closely with the Headteacher and school governors.

I thoroughly enjoy the job - working in a school that is like a family team where we all strive for our children and want them all to reach their full potential. A Shared vision and a great team mean a happy and safe school for all. I have 3 daughters - 2 teenagers and one age 9. Never a dull moment at home!!

