

Meet the team

SEND Management team



SENCO - Mr Evans

I have been teaching for 34 years. I have experience of working in both mainstream and special schools and also spent a number of years working as specialist teacher for ADHD for the Local Authority.

I have been SENCO at Hilbre High School since 2009. When I'm not focusing on SEN, I also teach Business Studies and PE.

After school I help to coach the school's Rugby teams. I have a range of hobbies and interests including Rugby, Fishing, Cricket, woodwork and playing guitar.



Mrs McLean. Deputy SENCO/ Nurture Group Teacher

Hello everyone, my name is Mrs McLean and I am the Deputy SENCO and Teacher of the Nurture Group. I am new to Hilbre starting in September and I am really looking forward to getting to know everyone.

I have been teaching for seven years, across all areas of Art, Design and Technology and leading within SEND.

I am originally from Kendal, near the Lake District but have lived on the Wirral and Merseyside for over a decade. I am a dedicated Duke of Edinburgh Leader and when I am not getting lost in a field I am walking with my husband and dog, Skylar, who is a Miniature Schnauzer.



Mrs Brindle, Resource Provision Manager

I am responsible for all students placed in the Resource Provision, the alternative & holistic curriculum delivered in the RP and the management of the Resource Provision Team

I have worked in the Resource Provision for 10 years and prior to this position I was responsible for setting up and running Nurture Groups in a secondary school in Cheshire. I am also a parent of two young men who have special educational needs.

My interests are reading, dog walking, eating out, going to the movies and an unhealthy amount of TV watching!



Mrs Lightfoot, PA TO THE SENCO

I moved back to the Wirral with my family 16 years ago and prior to working for Mr Evans at Hilbre High School 4 years ago, I worked for the Local Authority and in other roles with our local Primary Schools. I studied for my Degree in Business Studies in London and worked in the City of London for a large Private Bank for over 10 years. I have three teenage boys and enjoy keeping fit and active, especially enjoying long walks on our beautiful local beaches. I also enjoy reading and going to the cinema.

Mainstream support Teaching Assistant Team



Ms Lintermans, HLTA in the Nurture Group

I have been at Hilbre High School since 2015. I started as the English as Additional Language Support Assistant and I now work in the Nurture Group. Before that, I worked as an English and Dutch teacher for 7 years.

I enjoy reading, watching films and spending time by the sea.



Mr Wellsbury, Teaching assistant in the Nurture group

I have worked at Hilbre for 3 years now, supporting a variety of students within lessons.

One of my main interests is football, I manage the current year 8 football team.



Miss Hogan, Teaching Assistant

I have worked at Hilbre High School for 2 years. I am a mainstream TA, mainly supporting in maths lessons but I also support students in the Home & Continuing Education Service which is on the site at Hilbre High School.

My interests are outdoor mountain hiking, camping and studying to become a teacher.



Mr Smith, TA and EAL Support

Whilst studying for my Degree and since starting at Hilbre, I have had 3 years' experience working in Secondary Schools across the world; in Brazil, Cambodia and the UK.

I have been at Hilbre High School for just under 2 years, and am responsible for supporting our English as a Second Language students (EAL).

I myself speak Spanish and Portuguese, and enjoy travelling, rugby and playing the guitar.



Mrs Whiting – HLTA

I have worked at Hilbre High School Humanities College for 21 years. I have undertaken many roles during my time at Hilbre. These have included working with small Literacy Intervention Groups, Teaching cover, covering for the school nurse and working as a part-time SENCO. I have extensive experience of working with all SEN students, including students with Autism and Asperger's.

My interests include regularly attending the gym, going on family holidays and arts and crafts.



Miss Millar, TA

I started in 2005, so I have worked at Hilbre High School for 15 years. I educate and support children with Special educational needs and I love it!

I run a social intervention group for students who are anxious about coming into school or about making friends and any other aspects of life, I am the person to see!

I have been running these groups for many years so you are in safe hands. I also work in many different classrooms with a variety of students supporting their needs.

You will see me around, please don't hesitate to say hello, I am here to help in anyway.



Miss Sadler. TA.

I have been at Hilbre High school for almost 3 years and am currently working in Nurture Provision since September 2018.

My role is to be always nurturing and supportive, providing a role model for children.

I have worked around the world working with children before I started Hilbre. Hobbies include baking, running, reading and traveling.



Mrs Penman. HLTA

I have worked at Hilbre for 19 years. I am attached to the English department. In the classroom, I support many students with SEN, sometimes in small groups, or 1:1. My aim is to ensure all students make progress, reach or exceed targets, and ultimately achieve success.

Things which are important to me are; kindness, good manners, and always trying your best. In my spare time I like to ride my motorbike, garden, and read.



Mrs Youds, TA.

I have worked at Hilbre for the past twenty years, across all year groups, supporting students through transition from primary to secondary and secondary to further education.

I have a breadth of experience in supporting the needs of pupils with physical and medical needs. I have an interest in child development and the impact of ACES and have recently completed two days of THRIVE training.

I am married with four children. I enjoy spending time with my family, being outdoors, doing a variety of sports and doing hands on activities such as art and cooking.



Mrs Muskett, HLTA

I have worked at Hilbre High school for 10 years. I work with students supporting them with a range of GCSE subjects.

I enjoy reading, going on walks in the countryside and spending time with family and friends.



Miss Joyce, TA

I have worked at Hilbre High School for 13 years as a TA since 2007. I work with students both individually and in class to support their learning. I also support students with the school garden, which is an ongoing projects with the schools Eco Club.

My hobbies include gardening, cycling and choir.



Miss Graham, TA

I'm a TA and have been at Hilbre for 3 years. I work within the KS4 Hub, where the pupils that attend are mostly completing their GCSEs.

My hobbies mainly revolve around spending time with my family.



Mr Knowles, TA

I have been working at Hilbre for the last 2 years as part of the team in the Nurture Provision. I have experience of working with students with ADHD, MLD, Autism.

You will be able to find me on the Humanities corridor in the school.



Mrs Myers, HLTA

I have been a Teaching Assistant for the 25 years, the last 13 years at Hilbre High School and previously at a variety of primary schools.

I am currently studying for a BA Honours at university. I am based in the science department.

You will also see me at rugby training and I enjoy family holidays, riding my bike and watching rugby.



Mr Wall, HLTA Nurture Group Provision

I have been a Teaching Assistant for 21 years. I started at Kilgarth Special School in 1999 and moved to Hilbre High School in 2006. I have extensive experience with pupils with emotional and behavioural difficulties. I have also been a youth worker for over 20 years, primarily based at the Birkenhead Youth Club.

At Hilbre I have worked as a cover supervisor, TA and in the Resourced Provision. I now work with individuals and small groups based in the Nurture Group Provision.

My hobbies include walking the dog, watching films, cricket, reading and following Liverpool Football Club.



Miss Ritchie, Teaching Assistant

Started working at Hilbre in September 2017.

I have a Degree in English and Creative Writing from John Moores University. Key parts of my role in school is to support student's literacy, attendance, mental health and wellbeing.

I enjoy reading, travelling and caring for birds (I have three parrots!).



Miss White TA.

As a Teaching Assistant, my main responsibilities are to support pupils with SEN, ensuring the child can access the curriculum at a level that is more tailored to them based on their specific, individual needs. I am also there for the emotional wellbeing of the students, trying my hardest to make sure everyone is feeling safe and happy during their school day.

While at University I studied Early Childhood Studies, during my time there I was able to carry out work experience in many different primary schools across the Wirral and Liverpool.

During my spare time, I like to explore the outdoors with my little boy, Ezra. I also like to bake cakes and cook new dishes.



Mrs Harvey, School Nurse

My role as school nurse covers all aspects of health, physical, emotional, mental health. I am a Thrive practitioner and run small groups for pupils who need additional support with their mental, emotional and social needs, look after the wellbeing of all the school members. Hobbies walking my little dog coco, dancing, I am a fitness instructor and still teach fitness classes like Zumba, clubbercise and I love to travel.



Miss Marshall, TA

I work in Hilbre as a Mathematics Teaching Assistant, which means you'll usually see me in your maths lessons or in maths intervention sessions.

I also help out with the schools DofE programme, it's great fun and an incredible experience for everyone! I enjoy spending time outdoors and training my rescue horses.



Miss Coates, TA

I have worked at Hilbre for 3 years as a TA. I completed an apprenticeship and enjoy supporting students with emotional and behavioural difficulties.

I enjoy theatre and music.



Ms Jones, HLTA

I have been at Hilbre for nearly 30 years. I have performed many roles at the school but am currently working with students who have great difficulty in attending school for a variety of reasons. I previously worked for the NHS and spent several years working in Primary education. Over the years I have done a lot of training that has covered counselling, safeguarding, bereavement, mental health and behaviour.

I love the outdoors and enjoy exploring our beautiful peninsula, I also enjoy music, art and literature.



Mrs Randles, HLTA (Sixth Form)

I look after all of our students with SEND who come to Sixth Form. In my pastoral role I make sure that all of our students who come to Sixth Form are happy and are working hard. If they have any problems they know that they can come and talk to me and that we together will hopefully sort out any problems or worries that they might have.

This is I think my 15th year at Hilbre and I do love my job very much and all of the students that I have worked with and who I work with now.

Everyone in school will tell you that Mrs Randles is a Huge Tranmere fan and I have been for a very long time. I go to all of the home games and as many away games as I possibly can.



Mr Harvey, TA

I have worked at Hilbre for 1 and a half years now, I have also worked in Primary schools as a Sports coach previously.

My hobbies are anything to do with football and I have a huge love for music.

Resource Provision Base teaching assistant team



Mr Holder, SEN Teacher

Here I teach Maths, PE, History, Geography and Science. I've been a teacher for 12 years. It's immediately apparent that I am missing my lower left arm. Because of this and my experiences, my passion is helping all students overcome any educational barriers in order to achieve their aspirations.

I love sports and I'm a keen aquarist. I love spending time with my wife and two children.



Miss Rimmer, TA

I am a teaching assistance within the 'Base' (Resource Provision). I have been at Hilbre for nearly 2 years and have vast experience with children and adults with a range of special educational needs.

My main interest within school is the performing arts where I received a degree within. Along with my interest in drama, dance and music, I also love to learn about the facts of science, watch E4 comedy series like 'Friends' and 'The Big Bang Theory' and enjoy spending time with my big family.

I also participate in the after school drama club and Hilbre's annual showcases.



Mrs Williams , TA

I have enjoyed working as a Teaching Assistant at Hilbre High School for 11 Years. When I first started at Hilbre, my role involved supporting students 1 -1 in mainstream lessons. After spending 2 years in this position, I was then offered a position in Resource Provision.

My current position in Resource Provision also involves supporting when they are timetabled in mainstream lessons.

My hobbies include gardening and shopping.



Miss Bentley, TA

I have been a TA for 10 years, although I did take 3 years out to do an Art Degree . I have been at Hilbre for two years and I work in the Resource Provision, mainly with Year 10 and Year 11 supporting them with the GCSE courses.

I like art and making sculptures. I also like Star Wars and Marvel films too.



Mr Duffy, TA

I started working at Hilbre as an Apprentice Teaching Assistant in 2016, and have since qualified as a Level 2 Teaching Assistant. I support students within their mainstream and Resource Provision lessons. I work very closely with year 11 students to help them achieve the best results that they can, in their final year.

I also have further online qualifications in Autism, Dyslexia, ADHD and Dyspraxia.

My hobbies consist of walking my dog and playing football and golf.



Miss Hesketh, TA

I have worked at Hilbre High School for 3 years. I started as an Apprentice Teaching Assistant, progressing to a Level 2/3 Teaching Assistant. I deliver lessons in Motor Skills, Lifeskills and support students in their Mainstream and Resource Provision lessons.

I have achieved qualifications in the following; 'The Complete SEND Diploma (Level 2,3&4)' and a course in 'Good Practice in Autism Education'.

In my spare time I like to listen to music, spend time with friends and family and go on holidays.



Miss Parry, TA

I have worked at Hilbre High school for nearly 2 years now. During my time in this role, I have taken a specific interest in working with students with a combination of ASC and ADHD.

I have completed multiple SEN courses, specifically dyslexia, dyscalculia and other specific learning difficulties.

I am involved in the DofE program at Hilbre and have assisted on a Gold expedition.

My hobbies include walking, travelling and I am also a leader in my local Girl Guiding unit.



Mr McKenna , TA

I have worked in Hilbre High School for 16 months now as an apprentice, working towards my level 3 TA qualification.

My role at Hilbre is to support students with their literacy and numeracy in the classroom.

My hobbies include rock music, rock climbing, walking, MMA and films.



Miss Auld, TA

I have been working at Hilbre for a few months and my current role is to support pupils in the Resource Provision both in mainstream and small group lessons.

I graduated from university in the Summer of 2019.

My hobbies are horse riding, dance and baking. I enjoy watching true crime documentaries and comedy series.



Winnie, Resource Provision Dog

I'm a 10 month old cavapoo who helps out in the base. I'm still learning but I've already passed the Kennel Club puppy foundation course and will be starting my bronze award in a few months.

My main job is to spend time with the students in the base and to cheer them up if they are feeling sad or worried.

My interests are chasing balls, running in the woods and eating cheese. I also like playing with my toys and meeting new people and dogs.