

## BRIGIDINE SCHOOL

STAFF DIRECTORY

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### **Foreword**

Brigidine School has witnessed significant progress in the last few years. It has provided great opportunity to its students, offered a bespoke education that is valued by many and consistently stuck to its core values.

The management and leadership of the school is overseen by an Executive team: Dawn Fleming and Simon Larter. Dawn has the primary responsibility for business and administrative affairs with an oversight on education. Simon has the primary responsibility for education with an oversight on business and administrative affairs.

Within the school, it is essential there are clear learning objectives for all pupils, teaching that creates and sustains interest and motivation, high quality interaction between staff and pupils, opportunities to allow children to learn without condemnation and honesty - where there is straight talking between the School, the student and home.

These are exciting times with huge opportunities. In the current labour market, people need to be caring, thoughtful, principled, reflective, communicative and open-minded with a thirst for knowledge. Additionally, they need to relish taking risks, use the opportunity to ask those difficult questions and allow there to be a healthy balance in their lives.

That is why, as staff, we need to continue to critically analyse what we deliver inside and outside the classroom. As we move forward, we must all keep in view what can be achieved, because by contributing to the success, we will continue to share in the success. Brigidine School will go from strength to strength and with your continued commitment, we look forward to the exciting journey that lies ahead for us all.

### **Heads of School**

#### Simon Larter BA (Hons), PGCE Head of Education



Mr Larter has been a Head for 16 years, latterly of St Johns' International School in Sidmouth.

He was educated at Bancrofts' School and attended the University of London – Queen Mary College, gaining a BA (Hons) in Geography.

He also attended the London School of Economics where he studied Individual and Social Psychology before gaining his Post Graduate Certificate of Education at King's College London.

Having been a school Inspector, Mr Larter has also served as a Justice of the Peace, a School Governor in three different schools, Chairman of a number of national and regional independent school committees and Chairman of Trustees of a Northampton based charity providing rehabilitative support for mental health patients for the seven years.

In terms of education, Mr Larter was Head of Northamptonshire Grammar School for 9 years and an educational consultant for 4 years. He was the Head at Buckingham College School for 3 years before taking up the post of Head at St John's International School, which he held for 3 years.

In his spare time Mr Larter has been a freelance journalist, broadcaster and an active fund raiser for good causes, including completing the London marathon on two occasions.

When he finds the time to relax, Mr Larter has a passion for all kinds of music. He is married with two grown up children.

## **Dawn Fleming Head of Business Affairs**



Mrs Fleming is an energetic, vibrant individual, who is always prepared to go the extra mile to get the job done.

She started her career working for Quaker Oats in the export department. Her ambition and ability led to fast track advancement taking on the role of PA to the Director of Sales at Esselte Dymo, a major stationery manufacturing company.

Her drive and commitment then took her to Record Merchandisers, an EMI subsidiary, as PA to the Managing Director. It wasn't long before her talent and flair for marketing

were recognised and she was invited to head up the promotion department.

Working on behalf of some of the biggest artists of the day, Mrs Fleming was responsible for running promotions and in-store merchandising in many of the largest high street retailers. She then took on the role of Development Manager for the company where, for a number of years she continued to ensure the company's growth in the marketplace.

Mrs Fleming took a career break to have her two daughters, Charlotte and Chelsea before continuing her career and gaining experience in a number of different businesses.

Mrs Fleming took up the role of Business Manager at Brigidine in November 2011 and has been able to bring a breadth of knowledge and ability to the role which has combined the ability of tight fiscal control with progressive forward thinking with regard to sales and marketing.

### **Management Team**

### Mrs Jyoti Jafri Data Manager



Mrs Jafri joined Brigidine School Windsor in 2001 as an IT Support Analyst after a short career break due to the arrival of her son.

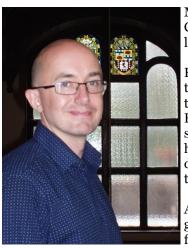
She has extensive experience working in the government and private sectors in customer service roles within IT. She started her career working for the Ministry of Defence then she moved to a software house and finally to a large corporation, Rockwell International, before moving to Brigidine School Windsor.

Mrs Jafri looks after data and security of information held by the school. She maintains the school's systems to ensure that data is se-

curely managed and up-to-date, she also coordinates and manages technical support for the Schools Information Technology and ensures that staff and pupils are able to utilise the school's technology.

She lives in Ascot and is married with one son who is currently at university studying Accounting and Finance.

#### Mr Tom Cairns Clery BA, PGCE, MA, Cross curricular Co-ordinator



Mr Clery joins us from International College Spain in Madrid where he has lived for the past three years.

He has a wealth of experience having taught across the Humanities for over ten years, including various positions as Head of Department, in top private schools in the UK, USA and Spain. He has also taught Geography as an Undergraduate and Graduate Lecturer at the University of Miami.

Alongside a MA in Geography and Geographical Information Systems (GIS) from the University of Miami, a PGCE in Geography Education from the Institute

of Education in London, and a BA in Development Studies from the University of East Anglia he has published various journal articles and book chapters on Economic and Urban Geography and GIS.

Mr Clery strongly believes that geography will play an increasingly important role in our pupil's lives as issues such as climate change, globalization, and the internationalization of careers and education become increasingly prominent. Similarly, an ability to contextualize social change and/or continuity enables students to play an active and engaged role in shaping the future around them both at home and abroad.

A fluent Spanish speaker, Mr Clery has a great passion for travel, culture and sport and having visited every continent is keen to apply those experiences to the Brigidine classroom to help inspire our young minds and bring their learning to life.

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## Mrs Paula Reynolds EYPS Head of EYFS



Mrs Reynolds has worked in the Early Years sector for 18 years.

She gained her Degree and her Early Years Professional Status at Reading University.

Within the last six years, she has managed two pre-school settings in Wokingham, turning them from struggling settings into thriving businesses.

Prior to this, Mrs Reynolds volunteered on a pre-school committee, and when her youngest child started school, she made the career change from Computer Manager in a shipping company to Early Years Practitioner.

Mrs Reynolds is passionate about the Early Years Foundation Stage and ensuring children learn through play.

Building an environment around the children's interests and making it a fun and interesting place to learn through real experiences.

Mrs Reynolds has spent the summer working with the school to refurbish the nursery and implement many new ideas.

She lives in Wokingham with her husband and four children.

#### Mr Alex Mason BA(Hons), PGDipEd Head of Sixth Form



Mr Mason joined the teaching profession after graduating from Oxford having read Ancient and Modern History.

He joined Brigidine after King Edward's School in Birmingham, where he had also attended as a former pupil.

Mr Mason is passionate about teaching and learning, and believes that education should serve to set pupils up for everything that life throws at them and to prepare them to enjoy all of life's many wonders.

Outside the classroom he is an enthusiastic sportsman, enjoying Rugby and Cricket. He recently travelled to India to learn to be a Yoga Instructor. He also enjoys reading and occasionally dabbles in writing when he has the time.

Mr. Mason lives locally with his fiancée. They are planning to marry next July.

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## Mrs Becky Roberts BA (Hons) Head of Pastoral Care (Junior School)



Mrs Roberts joined Brigidine School in 2014 as a Class Teacher for year 2.

Previous to that, she had spent eleven years working within the state education system after making a career move away from working in Sales and Marketing for a number of blue chip companies, such as BMW (UK).

Mrs Roberts has an affinity for working with younger children and making sure they all thrive within her care which has led to her recently taking on the role of Head of Pastoral Care for the Junior School and

joining the Management Team within the school.

Being a busy Mum of three, she has little time for hobbies outside work, however she still enjoys playing a number of musical instruments and singing as well as reading as much as she can. She also has a passion for theatre, particularly Shakespeare, both modern and traditional interpretations and musicals along with going to the cinema when time permits.

Of mixed Welsh and English descent, Mrs Roberts is an enthusiastic Rugby supporter, often causing great angst during the six nations tournament and internationals!

Her eldest son plays the sport at a high level, so she also gets to go to games every weekend throughout the rugby season. Mrs Roberts supports her local team, Harlequins whenever she gets the opportunity.

Mrs Roberts lives locally with her husband and three children, James, George and Emily, all now teenagers.

### Mrs Mandy Smith Safeguarding Lead and Head of Pastoral Care (Senior School)



Mrs Smith joined Brigidine school in September 2015 after extensive experience in her previous role, teaching sport and running extra curricular activities.

She has a real passion for sport and for making it accessible and enjoyable for children of all abilities.

In school, Mrs Smith was inspired by her PE teacher and spent as much time as possible training and competing. She hopes that her infectious love of sport will spread throughout the school and the children will gain that passion.

County level competitions in Athletics and Hockey, and international level in Ten Pin Bowling ensure she has a lot of knowledge of competing at higher levels. She also played for Ascot United Woman's football team.

Mandy is also a qualified Coach for the FA and the English Athletics Society. In addition, she also holds a range of qualifications in other sports.

Mandy loves the opportunity to learn new skills and ideas so she can pass them on to the children in her care, regularly searching for sports she hopes will inspire the children and give them opportunities to enjoy sport and to be the best they can be.

She has two sons, who also enjoy sport. Her eldest son now attends the England Ten Pin Bowling academy, whilst her younger son enjoys representing his school playing rugby.

# **Teaching Staff**

Mrs M Orkney-Smith P.E. and Junior Subjects Mr T Clery Geography and Humanities England Athletics Level 1 BA (Hons), PGCE, MA Coaching Assistant Award **Mrs J Curley** French Mr M Peretti Food Technology Licence d'anglais CAPES d'anglais BA (Hons), PGCE **Mrs P Reynolds Head of EYFS** Mr T Chipepa Science and Mathematics **EYPS** BSc (Hons), PGCE English **Mrs B Roberts** Junior subjects Mr C Fitzgeorge-Parker MA, Oxon BA (Hons), PGCE Mrs R Roberts **Junior Subjects Mrs K Frayling** Music BA (Hons) BMus, PGDip, ARCM Media Studies Ms M Sharifi BAMiss P Keen Junior subjects Cert Ed. Drama / Dance Mr D Soden & LAMDA BA (Hons) **Biology and Mathematics Mrs T Graves** BSc (Hons) Mrs C Stout Music BMus, PGCE, LRAM Mr A Mason History/RE BA (Hons) Oxon, PGCE **Nursery Practitioner** Mrs S Onokha NVQ3, BA (Hons) Art/Textiles Mrs L McNeill Chemistry BA (Hons), PGCE Dr P Walton BSc (Hons), Cert Ed, PhD Mrs S Muller-Schuschnigg German Spanish Mrs R Wenham BA, Vienna BA (Hons)

Miss G O'Regan

**SENCo** 

### **Associate Staff**

TEACHING / CLASSROOM ASSISTANTS

**Teaching Assistant** Mrs LAina

**Teaching Assistant** Mrs S Moss

Late Finish Assistant **Miss W Stevens** 

Lunchtime Assistant **Mrs T Morris** 

ASSOCIATE STAFF TEAM

PA to Head of Education / Mrs S Swainston

**Head of Business Affairs** 

Mrs S Abrams Assistant to Head of

**Business Affairs** 

Mrs K Grewal Registrar

Mrs D Hampshire Administrator

Miss K Singh Receptionist

**Miss T Randall Laboratory Technician** 

**CATERING TEAM** 

Mrs D Burton Catering Manager

Mrs T Byrne **Catering Assistant**  **CARETAKING TEAM** 

Mr P Slade Caretaker

Mr D Grigoriou Assistant Caretaker /

Grounds person

PERIPATETIC STAFF

Miss A Kryvanos Guitar

BMus

**Miss Chantelle Constable** Modern Dance

Susan Handy School of Dancing

Woodwind & Orchestra **Miss Emily Francis** 

Ms Lisa Millard **Ballet** 

Susan Handy School of Dancing