

The Teachers – Pen Portraits

Elizabeth Maycock – Headteacher

I have thoroughly enjoyed my three years as Headteacher at Little Waltham School and found them to be most rewarding. My early career was in banking where I spent a number of years working in the money markets, during this time I also obtained an HNC in Business Studies. I began my teaching career as a 'mature' student at St John's CE Primary School in Danbury having obtained my degree with the Open University whilst my children were young. Since qualifying, I have taught every year group and enjoyed them all. I was Deputy Head at Great Waltham School prior to taking up my Headship at Little Waltham and was responsible for leading in Mathematics and ICT.

Patricia Carroll – Deputy Headteacher

I was appointed to teach at Little Waltham Primary School in 1990 and was promoted to Deputy Headteacher in 1995. During this time I have taught children in KS1, and have been Acting Headteacher twice. I enjoy the position of Deputy Headteacher as this enables me to have the satisfaction of teaching and having an important role in the management of the school. I am also responsible for Literacy and Assessment across the school.

Judy Hilton

I have been a qualified teacher for 29 years, and have taught all age groups in Key Stages 1 and 2. I majored in dance at Polytechnic and have held posts of responsibility for the Aesthetic Arts and Special Educational Needs before coming to Little Waltham. I am responsible for several areas of the curriculum.

Karen Porter

After completing my training at Goldsmith's College, University of London, I spent some time teaching in North Kensington. I moved to Chelmsford and taught in several local schools. I have been teaching Year 5 and 6 pupils at Little Waltham for 17 years and I am a senior teacher responsible for Creativity, Science and other areas of the curriculum. I also organise the Eco –Group, the Prefects and the School Councillors.

Tracy Edwards

I have been teaching at Little Waltham for three years and hold a BA(Hons) with Primary Education with a specialism in History. After completing my teacher training at Chichester University in 2000, I then spent 5 years teaching in an infant school in Witham. I have taught all age groups in Key Stage 1 and also in the Foundation Stage. I am now responsible for the Foundation/Year 1 class and am the Early Years Co-ordinator. I am also responsible for ICT and other areas across the curriculum.

Sandy Sterne

After completing my BSc (Hons) in Biology with a specialism in Immunology, I worked first at the Institute of Neurology and then at the Royal College of Surgeons carrying out Research into Multiple Sclerosis. I completed my teacher training at Anglia Ruskin University in 2006. I have 3 children, live locally and have been a foster carer for the last 5 years. Whilst at Little Waltham I have taught in both Key Stage 1 and 2 with a special interest in Science. At present I am working one day a week in a job-share position.

Ruth Ives

This is my seventh year of teaching, having graduated from the University of Wales, with a BSc in Psychology. I studied for my Post Graduate Certificate in Education with the Essex Schools Consortium in Initial Teacher Training. I have taught across both Key Stage One and Key Stage Two and in schools with children from a variety of social backgrounds. I have had positions of responsibility including SENCo. I am pleased to be responsible for leading Mathematics and RE at Little Waltham CE Primary School.

Pam Webber

I spent five years teaching full-time after qualification and then twelve years teaching part-time. I have worked at Little Waltham School for the past sixteen years on a part time basis and have a particular interest in Special Needs and Child Development. I hold the post of Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator and lead the Learning Support Assistants in their delivery of individual Educational Programmes and group activities. I also support the teachers with the delivery of mathematics to specific year groups.