



KS1 Crew 2023/2024

Green Top



Year 2 Teacher - Mrs Aime Shaw



KS1 phase lead - Expedition Lead - Instructional Lead - Assistant Headteacher

I have 3 young girls (9, 6 and 3) who keep me busy at home. We love to go on bike rides, long walks in the woods but also snuggling and watching a film is one of my favourite things to do - especially disney films. When I get a chance, I love to read a book in bed and go out for meals (because I'm not very good at cooking :-))

I have worked at Green Top as a teacher for 15 years and I've enjoyed every single class that I have taught. The children at Green Top are so enthusiastic about learning and I love how they have a voice and are a part of their own learning journey each year. I have taught in many year groups from key stage 1 and key stage 2 but I do really love teaching year 2 because the children really begin to flourish at this age and I get to see them produce fantastic work and make amazing progress throughout the year. My favourite subject to teach is English. I love to see how children's reading and writing improves and how proud the children are, it makes me so proud too! Can't wait to get to know you all!



Year 1 Teacher - Miss Carly Schon



I am a busy mum of two (13 and 6) and I love spending time with my children. We are often busy pursuing hobbies such as dance, tumbling, football, martial arts and swimming. As a family we love a mixture of days out and chilled times at home. We enjoy camping, meals out, exploring new places and, of course, holidays! I also enjoy spending time with my family and friends. To relax I enjoy going for a walk, watching TV or reading a book. Me and my daughter also love to go to the theatre together to watch musicals!

I first joined Green Top in 2011 and have absolutely loved my time working here. So much so that I chose to enrol both of my children at the school. Although I have experience teaching across all age groups, I have mainly worked in Reception and Year 1 during my time here. I really enjoy teaching these age groups and seeing how much the children develop. My favourite subject to teach is phonics and we teach this daily in Reception and Year 1.

Green Top is such a warm, friendly and welcoming school and I can't picture myself working anywhere else. The children and their families are amazing and I feel very privileged to be a part of their journey.



Year 1 Teacher - Miss Jayne Rodgers



I have always believed that a healthy work/life balance is the key to a successful career so I make the most of my time off by spending quality time with my partner, my awesome 22 year old twins and my wonderful friends. I love visiting our caravan on the coast and going for long, windy walks with my dog, Cheech, travelling to other countries, - I lived in Spain for 6 years - or simply relaxing in the garden listening to music. My passion however is live music, so most weekends you will find me at a concert or festival. I also LOVE Adidas trainers. I have over 80 pairs in my collection so far!

I joined Green Top in 2019 and fell immediately in love with the ethos of the school and the way staff and children alike are encouraged to lead their own learning. My favourite subject is history and I am very proud and excited to be championing this area of the curriculum this year. I love teaching year one because of the amazing progress the children make. Having taught in key stage one for the past 13 years means that I have watched 13 classes of tiny, shy children develop into strapping year 6's, bright eyed, confident and eager to begin the next chapter of their lives. To have been there at the beginning of that journey is a massive privilege. I can't wait to meet you all!



Year 2 Teacher - Miss Hilton



I enjoy doing lots of different things in my spare time such as visiting new places, eating out at different restaurants, watching Disney films and England play rugby and visiting my family that live in Manchester and Wales. I have two children, one is 13 and one is nearly 2 years old and they keep me very busy. I have a very energetic dog that we take out on big walks and I also have a rabbit. I love the sea and swimming so I try to go to the beach or to a swimming pool as much as I can. One of my favourite places on earth is also Disneyland.

I have been at Green Top for 7 years and I have seen the school change a lot in that time and all for the better.

I love that we can offer the children at Green Top so many varied and exciting learning opportunities. As a teacher this is really challenging and fun to plan into our lessons and makes staff really excited to show the children what we have coming up in our Learning expeditions.

What I think is really special and unique about Green Top is the effort that staff go to to get to know their class and build positive relationships with children and parents.



Year 2 Teacher - Mrs Claire Dutton



I am originally from Gateshead, close to Newcastle, but have lived in Doncaster for almost twenty years now. I live with my husband, our two teenage children and our little dog, Lulu. As a family, we enjoy days out to the beach or long walks in the countryside. We also try to go to the cinema or bowling now and again as well. When we can, we love to visit our family in the North East or go on family holidays together - anywhere near the sea will do!

I have been a teacher at Green Top for three years now, having spent 6 years teaching mainly in Year 2 at a different school in Doncaster. I decided to join Green Top after being excited by the school's commitment to character development and its link with XP's expeditionary curriculum which is focused on creating real-world influence. Since joining Green Top, I have worked in both KS1 and KS2 and have been impressed by the collaborative nature of crew and how determined and resilient so many of the children are in their learning. Having spent the last year working and learning with Year 6, I am looking forward to working with Year 2 again and to helping to prepare our young learners ready for the challenge of KS2.

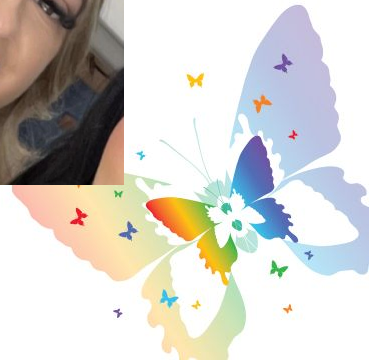


Crew Leader / LC - Miss Robyn Cooper



I aspire to be a teacher, I enjoy going out to restaurants and trying new foods. When not at work I mostly spend time with family and friends.

I love how up-to date Green Top is with their policies and practices. The restorative practice that Green Top uses gives the children more of an opinion and an outlet in which they have a voice, The immersive and interactive environments stimulate the children and encourage them to learn, sometimes without them even realising.



Learning Coach - Mrs Michelle Clay



I enjoy going to the cinema and eating out. I also enjoy socialising with friends and spending quality time with my family. My favourite food is Chinese and peanut M&Ms!

Since I started working at Green Top, I have seen quite a lot of change, the look of the school (inside and out), the rules, behaviour and immersive learning to name but a few! I love the fact that children choose their own Green Top rules which they try to adhere to daily. I love the immersive learning in the classrooms which are linked to theme and the fact children can choose their area where they wish to work . Above all else I love the fact that each child has a voice and the restorative practice gives every child a chance to listen, speak and understand values and opinions of others .



Crew Leader / LC - Mrs Kerri Stone



Hi all!! My favourite thing in the whole wide world is spending time with my family. We spend weekends away in our caravan, cycling, walking and exploring different places. I have two dogs called Tillie and Maggie and two rabbits called Tee and Ash.

I have worked at Green Top since 2017 and although I didn't attend Green Top myself, I couldn't think of a better school to work at. So much so that my daughter attends and so will my youngest (when she is old enough!). My favourite thing about Green Top is the immersive classroom environments. The children's faces when they see their new classroom each new theme is amazing! Seeing them explore their space and find all the new details. Making sure there is enough space so they can learn where they are comfortable, whether that be cosied up in a little corner or sat up to a table. I love Green Top!



Learning Coach - Miss Latisha Hartley



Hi everyone! My favourite thing in the whole world is spending time with my family and my friends and my rabbits Ivy and Blossom. I love being outside whenever I can.

I first joined Green Top in October 2021 when I was volunteering and I fell instantly in love with Green Top, the values they hold and their whole ethos - I knew this was the place for me to work. I joined as staff in January 2022. I love the expeditionary learning and the inclusive nature of the school and trust. Also, allowing the children to be able to explore whilst they learn and help them develop their independence. Through my time at Green Top my confidence has grown through support from the amazing staff and KS1 staff. I have also finished my time at university and I have learnt so much, I love Green Top as it allows not just the children to flourish and be their best version of themselves but also the staff.



Learning Coach - Miss Emma Roe



Hi everyone I'm Mrs Roe. My favourite things to do are going walking in the countryside and exploring new places with my family and if I get the chance camping in these new places. I also enjoy paddle boarding and swimming.

I've worked at Green Top since 2016 and have seen many positive changes whilst working here. My favourite thing about our school is our immersive environments and seeing the children's look of amazement at the start of every expedition as they grow in confidence and make memories whilst exploring their new environments.



Learning Coach - Nathan Pickles



Hi all, I'm Mr Pickles. I love being creative and learning new things. In my spare time I like to create music, work on my art projects, write stories and pretty much anything that involves me using my imagination. I'm a father of two and would do anything for them. There is nothing more important than the lessons and life skills we can teach our children.

I have recently joined the Green Top team coming from a background of working with adults with autism and learning difficulties. I believe that every child has the ability to succeed given the correct support. My favourite quote is "if you asked a goldfish to climb a tree then it will fail, if you ask the same fish to swim, it will achieve higher than anyone expected".





Additional Staff Who might help me



SENDCo - Mrs Faulding



I have two little boys- Benny (6 years old) and Cooper (2 years old) - who keep me very busy and on my toes! We love to go exploring together and enjoy going for walks in the woods or at the seaside, visit different fun places and also snuggling up on the sofa for a film night. Anything Disney is our favourite! As well as spending time with the boys, I love listening to music and having a good old sing along. I also go tap dancing, which is something that I have done since being little - I love to be on the stage performing and putting on a show!

This will be my 7th year at Green Top and each year, my journey here just continues to get better- I love it!

I feel so lucky to be part of such a caring and inspiring school. A school that puts the needs of each child first, and provides unique and amazing opportunities for them to experience and to enhance their learning.

I've loved developing CREW as part of our school ethos and values, seeing the children support each other on a daily basis and encourage one another to work hard, be kind and get smart is so special.

In August 2022, I started my role as SENDCo at Green Top and have loved supporting both children and parents across school in a different capacity. I look forward to continuing to do this and shape SEND at Green Top to best meet the needs of all of our children, to help them to grow and also to be the best version of themselves!



Assistant SENDco - Mrs Karen Cook



I am a proud mum of two grown up children who also attended Green Top. My family and I are huge Disney fans! We love spending time as a family and have been very lucky to visit the Disney parks as we love the rides and being able to feel like a child again. Our happy place is the Magic Kingdom in Florida. I enjoy all types of art and craft, going to the cinema, spending quality time with friends and family as well as visiting new places.

I have worked at Green Top many years and love the friendly environment and relationships staff create with the children. As a school we care greatly for children's outcomes and work together as a team to help them achieve their goals. I have been lucky to watch the school constantly evolve over the years to suit the needs of the children. I think the pastoral care the school offers is amazing, as is the huge range of activities we offer such as XP Outdoors, residential trips and days out. In 2021, after many years in EYFS, I began my new role as assistant Sendco as I feel passionate about supporting our most vulnerable children. I hope to help them navigate tricky times, be consistent and enable them to thrive in a positive, supportive environment.



Assistant SENDco - Mrs Jane Dewsnap



I enjoy spending time with my family, going on walks and bike rides. I also spend a lot of my weekends at the side of the rugby pitch watching my two boys play. My favorite thing to do is plan and go on holidays, especially if they involve Disney!

I love that Green Top gives children and staff fantastic opportunities and amazing experiences. I have been lucky enough to go on some fantastic trips like Harry Potter Studios and the residential to Edinburgh where the children (and adults) made some fantastic memories.

I love that everyone gets involved and there is a real sense of community. It's great that everyone has a voice and works together as one big team.



EWC/DDSL - Mrs Toni Fitzpatrick



I have three grown up children and 3 dogs called Wini and Wilf. I enjoy family surfing holidays in Cornwall especially when it doesn't rain!!

I love spending time with my family and making memories.

I enjoy having a cup of tea whilst watching The Chase although I can never answer the questions!

I have been at Green Top for a long time and still love being here. The children are wonderful; each one is special in their own way. At Green Top we make sure the children's emotional needs are met, this is essential especially for the children who may be experiencing some difficulties in their life, for example bereavement, which may impact on their school life.

Green Top is a restorative school which means we use a consistent framework when dealing with any issues; we listen to all our children ensuring issues are dealt with fairly.

Above all at Green Top our children have a voice something I think is VERY important.



HLTA - Mrs Andrea Hardman



I enjoy going to the cinema and going out for meals with my family. My favourite place to eat is Nandos. I love to watch my sons play football but my favourite thing is spending time with my two grandsons. My favourite hobby is cycling in the summer and my most treasured possessions are my family and my bike.

I have worked at Green Top for many years and I have loved every minute of it. I love the break out areas children can work in during lessons which are decorated and linked to our expeditions to stimulate their learning. I also love the sports facilities that are available to the children, especially the 3G pitch and the numerous sports teams which go out and represent our school. Above all I love our Green Top children as they never fail to impress me, inspire me and make me smile every day.



HLTA - Mrs June Miller



I enjoy spending time with my family and my new granddaughter. In the summer we get together for BBQs on most weekends. This isn't always possible due to us all working shifts, so time as a family is valuable and precious. Also I try and spend time with my parents, taking my mum out shopping and going on holiday together.

What I love about Green Top is the opportunities it has given me over the years to further my career. This is due to supportive, helpful team members I work with. Green Top has given the children some fantastic trip experiences, which I have been fortunate to go along. The approach to learning over the years I've been here has been made more exciting for the children by having break out areas linked to their expeditions. The school offers lots of after school clubs which is great to be involved with as I get to work and talk to children who I may not see through the school day. I love how we as a school have involved the local community in exciting events over the years. Our school in my opinion is warm, friendly and welcoming. I absolutely love my role at Green Top and what I have achieved here, seeing the children every day makes me smile and I am proud of what they achieve.



HLTA - Miss Sarah Walton



I am so lucky to have two beautiful daughters and together we enjoy travelling, walking our dog Milo, baking and watching films. I enjoy being busy, especially going to concerts and shows, but I love chill out time too and can often be found curled up on the sofa with a good book.

I love working at Green Top because the children here really do have a voice. Every part of every day revolves around the well being, learning and enjoyment of each child. Here, nobody is different because we appreciate that everyone is an individual. As adults, we all work together through fun times and challenging ones with the same goal in mind...to ensure that each child strives to be their best self.

I feel blessed to work with such a fantastic Crew of adults and children!



HLTA - Mrs Bev Green



I enjoy being in the outdoors, walking, cycling and gardening. I love going on holiday and visiting different places.

I have worked at Green Top for many years. I love my role because it provides me with the opportunity to work with lots of different year groups and staff.

We have great sport facilities available to the children, which provides them with a variety of experiences, building their confidence and team spirit enabling them to represent Green Top in a range of sporting events.



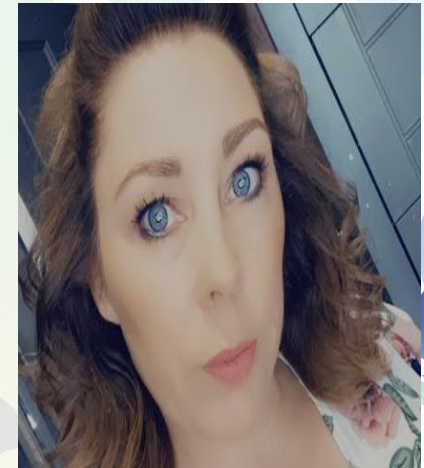
HLTA - Mrs Lisa Tonge



Spending time making memories with my family, especially my two grandsons that are full of mischief, is my favourite thing to do. I enjoy going on caravan holidays and visiting new places as I love history, particularly exploring castles. Bamburgh Castle is my favourite. In my free time I enjoy walking with my dog Bruno and cycling, but reading a good book is how I like to relax. I have an avid shoe collection and LOVE rugby, especially Wigan Warriors. I go to as many matches as I can with my son, and if I can't go to the game I will watch it on the TV. Last year I visited New York with some of my friends and it was AMAZING!

I have recently returned to Green Top as a Leading Learning Coach. Lots of things have changed, but it is like coming home. Everyone has made me feel welcome and I have been given the opportunity to visit and spend some time at XP in order to immerse myself in the XP learning process.

I am delighted to be back and am really impressed with all the changes that have been made since I left. The facilities are amazing, especially the sports facilities. They offer the children a variety of experiences which helps build their confidence but also helps them develop their team spirit and resilience. The expeditions are well planned and I am excited to be a part of the whole learning journey and can't wait to support the children. I am privileged to be a part of this crew!



XP Outdoor Lead - Mr Rory Kershaw



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I enjoy the great outdoors and going on many thrilling and exciting adventures into the wild. My last adventure took me on a 2 week expedition in Canada rafting 20 miles down the Babine River, my next big adventure is taking 450 scouts to Austria for a week of adventure and once in a lifetime memories. I have been part of the world wide family of scouts for 14 years now, learning and adapting with every new skill scouts have to offer. As much as I enjoy all the adventures, I love a night out with friends even if it means winning a pub quiz or two My favourite book is the hobbit, it comes on all my adventures

I have worked at Green Top for 6 years now and love every minute of it. You feel as if you're part of one big family. Green Top inspires me everyday when you see the children: Working Hard, Being Kind and Getting Smart. The children are a massive part in the leadership of the school with child led learning, school council, the learning council, the school ambassadors, the playground leaders and so on. In my opinion, the BEST thing about Green Top is the XP Outdoors provision which I'm very lucky to be the Lead of at Green Top, teaching life skills for the outdoors and showing how the outdoors can help a child's learning journey.



Admin - Mrs Maryanne Woodroffe



I enjoy spending time with my family and friends. I like going on long walks and holidays as well as doing arts & crafts in my spare time.

I have worked at Green Top for nearly 25 years. I love Green Top because it creates a diverse environment which is affluent in opportunity for young minds to grow. The school provides a great atmosphere for children and staff alike to grow and learn, being part of that is something very rewarding for us all.



Headteacher - Mrs Kelly Overson



Above anything else, I love spending time with my family and friends making memories! I love to go on long walks especially around woods and more so around water! More recently I have started swimming which I am really enjoying! I find that this is a time where I can clear my mind and feel refreshed for the day ahead! As a family we enjoy going on holidays in America, Las Vegas is one of our favourite destinations, especially because of the shows, food and shopping!

I started my journey at Green Top in 1997 as an apprentice! During these 26 years I have worked as a Learning Coach and an HLTA which I truly loved! I was lucky enough to complete my teacher training at Green Top and a year later I became Maths Lead followed by Assistant Head. I have loved every minute of my time at Green Top and I am now proud to be the Headteacher of this amazing school. The culture at Green Top has always been strong, there is just something about our community that pulls everyone together! This is strengthened by crew, something I feel strongly about! Everyone wants to do the best for our children and community and I couldn't ask for a better place to work!

