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# Y5/6 Crew 2024/2025

Green Top



# Year 6 Teacher - Miss Rebecca Knowles



Y5/6 phase leader - Reading Lead - Assistant Headteacher

I enjoy anything that consists of spending time with my family. I love to make memories with them and I especially love to spend time with my sister and my lovely niece who is turning one soon! I also enjoy looking after my two cats (Teddy and Freddy) who are very cute and playful! Anyone who knows me will know that my favourite things are Harry Potter and Disney - Disneyland is my favourite place!

Green Top is like my second home - I love that I get to work here and wouldn't want to work anywhere else. Green Top is a school that cares about each and every child and it provides many amazing opportunities for the children. Things I have enjoyed in the past are Harry Potter Studios, Magna Science Centre and camping at Austerfield! I also love the immersive environments offering the children choice as they really contribute to the excitement and engagement of each expedition. Finally, I love the products that we create and the links that we build with our community. I was so privileged to be able to create a book sharing World War 2 stories that involved my own grandad! Green Top truly does help us all to be the best versions of ourselves!



# Year 5 Teacher - Mrs Sophie Spetch



Student Leadership Champion - Professional Pathways

I enjoy spending lots of time with my friends and family especially my niece and nephew and making lots of special memories. I love to explore new places and countries, taking lots of photographs and listening to music. My favourite thing to do whilst I'm on holiday is watching the sunset on the beach. I have two dogs Dottie and Dougie and love to take them on long walks in the sunshine!

I love working at Green Top and have had the privilege of being here for many years now. I feel so lucky to have met some amazing children, parents and made lots of friends with the great staff here. Green Top offer the very best learning experiences for our children through all of the exciting Expeditions. My favourite has definitely got to be the Space expedition - I will never forget having the opportunity to skype NASA and Jim Kennedy!  
Our children have a great attitude to their learning and their enthusiasm is a real credit to the school.



# Year 5 Teacher - Miss Sarah Walton

RE Champion



I am so lucky to have two beautiful daughters and together we enjoy travelling, walking our dog, 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!



# Year 6 Teacher - Mr Tom Ambler

PE & Science Champion



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I enjoy most sports. My favourite sport is rugby I currently play for Thornensians. My favourite rugby team is Hull FC. I also enjoy American Football and my favourite team is the Miami Dolphins! Outside of playing sports I enjoy holidays and eating lots of food!

What I love the most about Green Top is that everyone works together as a team and supports one another. I love how immersive our school is and the different learning environments the children get to learn in. The children have a great attitude to learning and are always enthusiastic and engaged when it comes to their learning. Outside of the classroom I enjoy taking children to various sporting competitions and hope we can build on this in the future.



# Year 6 Teacher - Mrs Jillian Jackson



Writing and SPAG Lead - Data Analysis Lead - Instructional Lead

When not at work, I enjoy spending time with my family, especially my children. We love to go on family days out particularly if it ends with tea at Pizza Hut or Pizza Express! On a weekend, I enjoy watching my son play football, having film nights, TV chill out time or reading a good book. When I can find the time, I enjoy going on long walks, going to watch Lincoln City FC as a family or visiting the seaside.

I have worked at Green Top for many years and have loved the experiences I have had here. I love how our curriculum has developed and is driven by exciting expeditions. Establishing crew has enabled the children to really develop their skills to work as a team, develop empathy and compassion, hold each other to account and take responsibility for their own actions. The children display positive learning attitudes and have many opportunities to lead their own learning. I love how we all work as a crew to create opportunities to collaborate and celebrate achievements through purposeful products, family learning and expedition celebration events.



# Learning Coach - Mrs Gillian Rafferty



I have a son and daughter and also two older step sons. I enjoy spending time with my family and friends and taking family holidays. My hobbies are walking, cooking and reading.

Green Top is my work family, everyone pulls together to make sure our school is great and make sure the children are safe and cared for. I take great pleasure in working with some fantastic children every day, ensuring they are happy and relaxed. I love coming to work every day. I enjoy working in Year 6 and being part of their final journey towards Secondary School.



# Crew Leader / LC - Mrs Simoné Rayner



## Champion of the Arts

Family time is my favourite thing, I have two little girls aged 8 and 7 and we love spending quality time together, creating new memories by going on lots of different adventures. Our biggest and most favourite adventure is Disney World Florida, we are all Disney lovers! My girls keep me occupied at weekends with their hobbies of dancing, drama and gymnastics. In my spare time away from work I teach my Zumba class twice a week, and I am currently studying a degree in primary education with the open university. I enjoy going to the theatre and have a passion for dance.

Green Top is an amazing place to work, the children are incredible and make the school what it is. The staff are supportive and a great 'CREW' to be a part of.

Each member of staff is fully dedicated to ensuring that the children are given the most enjoyable learning journey, by fully immersing them into each expedition with amazing creative ideas, making the learning journey memorable for each and every child.





# Crew Leader / LC - Mr Michael Overson



There are a lot of things I love doing outside of school mainly going out with friends and family. I like being out of the house and being busy. I enjoy going on holiday, my favourite place is definitely Las Vegas.

I am three year into my journey at Green Top and I am still really excited. I went to school at Green Top myself and the changes to the school have been amazing like the 3G pitch which allows a lot more activities and sports to be played. I love how the kids are happy to be apart of Green Top and enjoy coming to school each day. Crew gives a place for every single child at Green Top and leaves no one behind and everyone feels like they are welcome in the school. I can't wait to continue the journey next year!



# Learning Coach - Mrs Katie-Rae Small



Outside of work, I enjoy spending time with my family. I have lots of pets (2 dogs and 3 cats) and I love animals! I love being outside in nature and exploring the outdoors, especially by the sea or in a forest. My favourite relaxing pastime is enjoying a good book.

I have worked at Green Top for the past year and I have really enjoyed my time here. I love how strong the crew relationships are here at school, and everyone's eagerness to learn. The students are all great leaders of their learning and enjoy expeditions. My favourite expedition so far has been Space. The children produced beautiful final products all throughout the year and I'm excited for the new school year.





# Additional Staff Who might help me



# SENDCo - Mrs Faulding



I have two little boys- Benny (7 years old) and Cooper (3 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 8th 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



## Wellbeing Champion

I am a mum of two grown up children who also attended Green Top. My family and I are huge Disney fans and we love visiting the Disney parks to be able to feel like a child again. I also enjoy visiting new places so I'm always on the lookout for the next holiday. In my spare time I like to go to the cinema, do art and crafts and spend quality time with friends and family.

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 nurture our school provides 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.



# EWC/DDSL - Mrs Toni Fitzpatrick

Wellbeing Champion - Attendance Champion



I have three grown up children and 2 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

Music and French Champion



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 beautiful 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 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 music and sports facilities that are available to the children, especially the 3G pitch and the numerous sports teams which go out and represent our school. My favourite lessons to teach are Music when I get to hear the children come together and sing and play as beautiful ensembles and French where I see the children gain enough confidence to speak in a different language. 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

Magic Maths Champion



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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 - Mrs Bev Green



Art Champion

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.



# XP Outdoor Lead - Mr Rory Kershaw



I enjoy the great outdoors and going on many exciting adventures into the wild around the world. Some of my best adventures took me on a 2 week expedition in Canada rafting 5 days down the Babine River, taking 450 young people to Austria for a week and so much more to come! I have been part of the world wide family of scouts for 15 years now, a leader for 5. I love learning, adapting and teaching 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 been a member of staff at Green Top for 7 years now and love every minute of it. You feel as if you're part of one big family. Green Top is an inspiring place to be everyday when you see the children embody our core values: Working Hard, Being Kind, and Getting Smart Our students play a significant role in the leadership of the school by the power of child led learning, school council, the learning council, the school ambassadors, the playground leaders and so on. For me one of the standout features of Green Top is our XP Outdoors provision. Outdoor sessions can enhance a child's educational journey. From promoting outdoor wellbeing to hands-on tool work, fire lighting, and camping, the XP Outdoors provision offers invaluable experiences.



# 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 near the sea! 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 27 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!

