



Teacher of Mathematics

Miss Hannah Colson (HOY 7)

I began my career in teaching at a rural school on the outskirts of Southampton after graduating from the University of Plymouth with a first class degree alongside qualified teacher status. During my time at university, I experienced teaching across all key stages but was particularly fond of KS3 and KS4. I have incredible experiences of teaching in an international school in Chile and loved learning that maths is a universal language while observing lessons in a Hungarian school.

I am a keen swimmer and, in September, I swam 3 miles across a shipping channel from Portsmouth to the Isle of Wight for charity. Also, I am quite an adventurous person so have been known to skydive, fly an airplane and ride in a hot air balloon.

I am extremely passionate about maths so, if you're lucky enough to be taught by me, you'll enjoy learning that maths is EVERYWHERE. You'll learn about all of my favourite mathematicians and their incredible discoveries. You'll experience problem solving activities and have many opportunities to use maths in real life.

I am looking forward to guiding students in Year 6 through their transition into secondary school. I am keen to ensure that every student makes new friends, adapts to their new environment, has the support they need, achieves their potential and has a balanced education full of opportunities and learning experiences.

I look forward to meeting you all, learning many things about each and every one of you and guiding you through your time at Icen Academy.



Teacher of Science

Mr James Marengi (7JM)

Hello, My name is Mr Marengi and I am a science here teacher at Iceni Academy. My science specialism is biology and I have a keen interest in human physiology and enjoy investigating the natural world.

When I'm not teaching, I enjoy watching films. My favourites are Star Wars or anything by Marvel. Also, I have two pet axolotls called Kevin and Perry. They are currently on lockdown like the rest of us but will hopefully return to the academy at the same time as you start.

I'm very much looking forward to meeting you all and introducing you to secondary science.



Teacher of Design and Technology

Miss Zoe Francis (7ZF)

I am a newly qualified teacher joining Iceni Academy at the start of my teaching career. My specialist subjects include Art, Photography and Product Design. After graduating from Sheffield University with a first class honours in Fine Art, I went on to becoming an activity coordinator within a social care setting. A path which inspired me to become a teacher.

I am passionate about promoting the importance of creativity and its transferable skill set, to every aspect of the educational environment. Outside of school, I have a keen interest in competitive cheerleading, with plans to complete the coaching qualifications. This will allow my passion and dedication to cheerleading to be shared within the wider school community.

I am looking forward to supporting every one of my students through their own individual journey. I endeavor to provide my students with the skills and opportunities to achieve their desired potential.



**Learning Support
Assistant and Higher
Level Teaching
Assistant**

Mrs Janet Orpwood (7JO)

My name is Mrs Orpwood and I have been at Iceni Academy for sixteen years and have enjoyed every minute of my time here. For the past ten years, I have had a personalised learning group across all year groups so I am really looking forward to having a Year 7 group that I can be with throughout their time at Iceni.

Working with the SEND department is my main role where you can find me supporting and organising extra help for pupils in lessons and exam access. Also, I work within the Humanities Department as I am passionate about History.

My main hobby is gardening. In the garden is where I spend most of my free time at home. I am always amazed at how I can create a beautiful garden from just a few tiny seeds. As most people at Iceni will tell you, I also love cats, and have two of my own and various stray cats that I regularly feed.

I look forward to helping you throughout your time at Iceni and telling you all about my cats and garden when I meet you soon.



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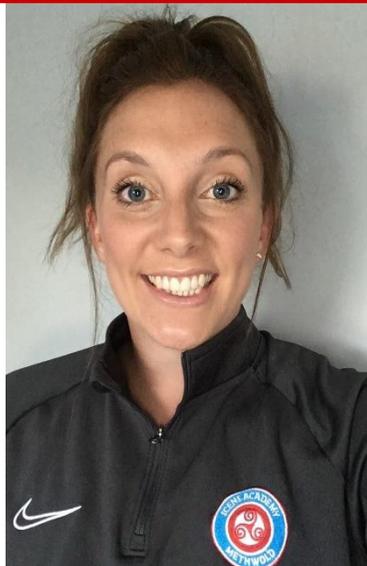
Miss Nicola Marshall (7NM)

Hello, my main job at school is an LSA helping students who need that a little bit of extra support when learning but, of course, I'm there for any other students who might need my help while learning.

I started off in Education (many years ago) as a Teaching Assistant and running an after school club in a catholic primary school in Essex. I then moved to Lincolnshire working in primary schools as a HLTA and then at a college educating teenage students with learning difficulties. In fact, I love working in education so much that I did a course at University to earn my teaching diploma. I taught catering and ICT as well as covering horticulture, maths and English although, secretly, I am a bit of a science geek (Shh don't tell anyone!!)

I then moved to Norfolk and started my role at Iceni in early February and, just as I settled, COVID-19 showed up so I'm really looking forward to getting back to work properly in September with the students and staff but especially excited about spending lots of time with you and getting to know and learn about you all!

See you soon for lots of fun and, of course, learning ☺



Teacher of Physical Education

Mrs Rebecca Bradley (7RB)

Hi! I am Mrs Bradley and I will be one of the Year 7 PL Tutors for 7RB in September. I graduated university with a degree in Sport, Health and Exercise before I completed my teacher training in Norfolk Schools. I first joined Icen Academy in 2009 (wow, I think that was probably the year that you were born!) and have absolutely loved working here for the last 11 years! I am a PE Teacher and netball specialist and love nothing more than being outside with the children, teaching a variety of sports and seeing them compete against other school in matches. If the sun is shining, that's a bonus!

Away from teaching, I adore spending time with my family and have two boys aged five and nearly two, to keep me busy! I am a keen sportswoman and have played competitive netball since the age of 10, reaching national club standard. I still play when time allows and also like to run to keep fit. I am a Norwich City supporter and held a season ticket for 18 years before having children. Come on you Yellows! I LOVE food and always find it really hard to answer when someone asks me what my favourite food is! I think I will go with different types of cheese today, I'll have changed my mind tomorrow though.

Anyway, I can't wait to meet you and to support you in making the best start to high school life! Here's to five amazing years with us at Icen!



Teacher of Health and Physical Education

Mrs Kerry Isbell (7RB)

I began my career in teaching in 2014 through a 'Troops to Teachers' learning scheme which enabled me to get a degree in Physical Education and qualified teacher status. Prior to this, I served in the Royal Navy for 9 years as a Physical Training Instructor. Upon leaving the military, I was accepted onto a fast track teaching program designed for military personnel. Since then I have taught at Old Buckingham High School, Notre Dame and Icen Academy. Alongside teaching, I work as a Personal Trainer and often work at a local Residential Bootcamp.

I live in Norfolk with my husband and three children. I am a very passionate sportswoman particularly participating in boxing, fitness, hockey, golf and racket sports. I have competed in a range of different sports at different levels and have also run various half marathons and the London marathon. I am incredibly passionate about PE and believe that school is a crucial time to try and install core values and attributes which will help students in which ever future role they aspire to be.

I want to ensure that every student I teach develops lifelong attributes, enjoys their lessons and acquires the skills and learning which represents their full potential.