

Welcome to Year 6

Meet the team:



Mr Nutbeam
Sycamore



Miss Pruett
Oak



Miss Bryony Pruett - Oak

My teaching journey began in 2021 in Bristol, where I trained in Primary Education. My first teaching role was in Year 3 and, since then, I have spent four rewarding years teaching in Year 5. Throughout my career, I have also held the roles of Art Lead and PE Lead—two subjects I am particularly passionate about, as they support children's development both inside and outside the classroom. While I enjoy teaching all areas of the curriculum, art and PE will always hold a special place in my heart.

I am delighted to be starting my third year at Shiphay Learning Academy and am especially excited to be joining the Year 6 team. Having spent the last four years teaching Year 5, I am looking forward to supporting children through their final year of primary school and helping them prepare for the transition to secondary education.

I am passionate about creating engaging, creative and accessible learning opportunities that encourage every child to achieve their full potential. I also believe that children learn best when they feel safe, valued and supported, which is why I strive to build positive, nurturing relationships with every child in my class.

In my spare time, I enjoy being outdoors and spending time with my dog, Poppy. I love discovering new walking routes and making the most of the beautiful local area. I also enjoy expressing my creative side through painting and baking. I firmly believe that learning never stops, and I am always looking for my next recipe to try!



Mr Richard Nutbeam - Sycamore

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Shiphay Learning Academy and am excited to continue my journey with Year 6 next year. Teaching has always been a vocation driven by my passion for learning, the outdoors, and exploring the world around us. My decision to become a teacher was inspired by experiences in outdoor classrooms in Kenya, where I saw first-hand the power of engaging, hands-on learning. I have now been teaching for over 19 years.

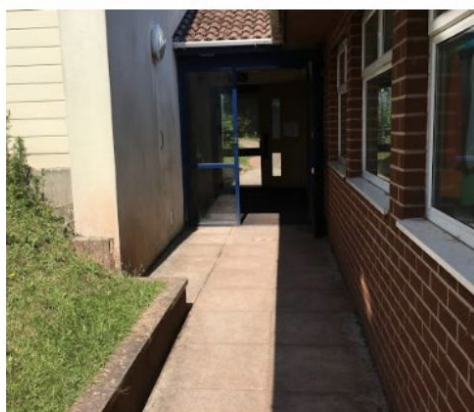
Throughout my career, I have held a variety of leadership roles within schools. However, a few years ago, I made the decision to return to the classroom full-time, and I have loved being able to work directly with children every day. As a teacher, I strive to create a vibrant and inclusive learning environment where every child can thrive. I believe in recognising and nurturing a wide range of strengths and talents, helping children to develop both academically and personally. Strong relationships are at the heart of successful learning, and I work hard to ensure that children feel safe, valued, and confident in taking risks with their learning. I encourage children to see mistakes as an important and positive part of the learning process.

Science is my favourite subject and an area in which I have specialised. I love the curiosity and excitement it inspires, and I believe it offers wonderful opportunities to bring learning to life through investigation, discovery, and real-world experiences.

I began my teaching career in Birmingham before moving to Devon eight years ago. Since then, I have embraced everything the area has to offer, particularly the opportunities to enjoy the outdoors with my wife and our three sons: Arthur (7), Alfred (5), and William (3).

I am very much looking forward to meeting my new Year 6 class and supporting them through the final stage of their primary school journey at Shiphay Learning Academy. Together, we will work hard, embrace new challenges, and make the most of a memorable and successful year.

Entrance to Year 6



The entrance to Year 6 is from the field gate. You need to walk down the path to the main door to Upper School.

Library and ABC



Put your coat, bag and lunch box in your locker.

The Hall at
lunchtime



The Lower Playground and the toilets



The Upper
School
toilets



Year 6 Classrooms

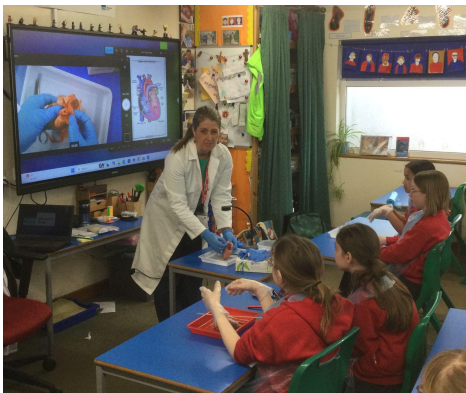
Oak Classroom



Sycamore Classroom



Learning in Year 6



My Thoughts

Please use this space to write down or draw any questions you have or things you want to talk to your teacher about in September.