

Meet the staff team



Lorraine Jones – Senco

My name is Lorraine and I am the Special Needs Coordinator at Goodway Nursery School. I have a son who is 5. I really enjoy helping people so if your child needs extra support with their learning and development, you can come and speak to me. I love taking long walks on sunny days and reading a good book, in a quiet place. Respecting everyone and being kind, regardless of how people look, is very important to me and makes the world a better place!



Sarah Edwards – Teacher

I have been a teacher for over ten years, spending the majority of that time in early years. One of the greatest privileges of my role is observing the children in my care develop and grow. As a teacher it is my job to plan and teach sessions through child-led activities and play that teaches children new skills, models language, ask questions to promote and assess development and explain new concepts. One of the most important things I do is to encourage each child to try their best and believe in themselves. In my spare time I love being with my family, exploring outdoors and reading.



Helen Cox – Teaching Assistant

My name is Helen Cox and I am one of the teaching assistants at Goodway Nursery School. I also have the roles of Assistant SENco, DSL and Key Person for the Sun bears. I am a mum of three and grandmother to four gorgeous little ones who take up most of my spare time not to mention the two dogs, two rabbits, two budgies and a cat but when I do get the chance I like nothing more than being by the sea and peacefully watching the waves. I believe that all children have the right to be safe and happy and have a full range of experiences to aid and promote independence, confidence and resilience as they play and learn.



Tina Harper – Teaching Assistant

I am Tina Harper, Key Person for Elephants 2. I am married with two grown up boys. I enjoy activities such as walking, gardening, travelling and I like to be creative. I am proud that I have been part of the Goodway family for 19 years, and have contributed in helping our children become confident little learners. I believe that every child has the right to the best possible start in life, to be happy, safe and to develop to the best of their potential.



Debbie Coates – Teaching Assistant

Hi, my name is Debbie Coates, I'm Seals group Key Person. I am married and I have two children and two cats. In my spare time I enjoy reading, gardening, spending time with my family and walking. I have high standards. I look for positivity in all things. I speak up as I have a right to be heard and so do you.



Natasha Isher – Teaching Assistant

My name is Natasha but most people call me Tasha. I am happily married with two daughters aged 11 and 13. I love working at Goodway Nursery School. It gives me enormous pleasure to see children develop and grow and be able to support them on their learning journey. In my spare time I like to spend it with my family. I enjoy baking, yoga and reading. I have many values in life but my main values are to show kindness to one another and be respectful towards everybody.



Georgina Barker – Teaching Assistant

My name is Georgina and I am part of the Goodway staff team. I attended university and graduated with a degree in early childhood studies and I now put my passion into practice working with young children, supporting them to learn, play and develop. Ensuring a respectful and secure environment is essential to me for both the adults and children I work with, enabling empowerment and curiosity to be created. I look forward to meeting all the new families that become part of Goodway Nursery School and I am excited to help make the children's nursery experience special.



Sue Hughes – Office Manager

I am a friendly, helpful and approachable member of staff. I strongly believe that everyone should be treated with respect, in the same way that you would wish to be respected. I love to travel and you will often see me jetting off to sunnier climates.



Beth O'Neill – Head Teacher

I am married with four grown up children and enjoy yoga, walking, gardening, interior design, cooking and reading. I have been working in early years education for 35 years and have been Head Teacher at Goodway Nursery School for nine years. I believe that children learn best through exploratory and creative play and flourish in environments where they have secure relationships and feel connected to adults and other children.



Lucy Collins – Teacher

Hi, my name is Lucy and I am one of the teachers at Goodway. I love to be outside, exploring nature and you can always find me looking for mini beasts! I really value the education of the whole child, taking their hand and joining them on their own unique learning journey. The rights of all are at the heart of everything we do at Goodway and I wholeheartedly agree with this approach; enabling me to support your child to see the value and beauty in everyone.



Inez James – Teaching Assistant

Hello my name is Inez and I am the Key Person for the Lions Group. I enjoy gardening, baking, reading and decorating. Our learning environment is inviting and inspiring, the children are encouraged to work independently and follow their interests with my support. I believe in respecting others and our environment and treating each other with care and compassion and to be able to participate in and value our diverse society. I strive to develop children to become good communicators so they can voice their needs and ideas and to help them develop to their full potential so they can be a confident and independent learners.



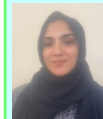
Debbie Graham – Teaching Assistant

Hello children, parents and carers. My name is Debbie Graham and I am the Wolves 1 group Key Person. I am really looking forward to meeting you all very soon. I love to read stories and play outdoors. I also love singing, but I may need your help as I'm not very good at singing! I am very passionate about children's rights, and believe that all children should be listened to and allowed to have a voice in all matters concerning them. I am responsible for the Rights Respecting School program. We are all very proud that Goodway hold a Unicef Gold Rights Respecting School Award.



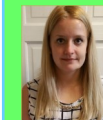
Sarah Bridgwater – Teaching Assistant

My name is Sarah Bridgwater I am a level 3 teaching assistant at Goodway Nursery school. I am the Forest School Leader and I lead outdoor learning with support from the teachers. I also help run the after school wraparound care - Barn Owls. I am married, I have two grown up children and I also have two greyhounds and two rabbits. I love music and I play clarinet and saxophone in a wind orchestra. My hobbies are gardening, sewing and walking in the countryside. I believe that all children should have the opportunity to explore the natural world around them, thus helping them become independent learners, build up their resilience and have a greater sense of self esteem.



Iram Kamal – Teaching Assistant

Hi my name is Iram Kamal. I am Key Person for Tigers group. I am mother of three children and I have been working in early years for the past 12 years. I am passionate about giving children the best possible education and care and promote well being and safeguarding of children all the time.



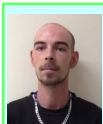
Jess Smith – Teaching Assistant

Hello My name is Jess Smith I work in the Daisies room which is where the two year olds play and also at Barn Owls which is our after school club. I'm very lucky, I am a mum to two children and when I am not working I love going to the park with my children, baking and going to the seaside. I believe in all of our values at nursery but one that is important to me is inclusion, we create an enabling environment where children and families feel a sense of belonging and ensuring equality of opportunity for everyone.



Hana Gibson – Lunchtime Supervisor & Inclusion Support

I'm Hana. I love spending quality time with my two boys and exploring the outdoors. I'm passionate about my role as an Inclusion Support Early Years worker and lunchtime supervisor, always striving to provide a caring environment for children to feel safe and supported whilst



Rich Cooper – Building Services Supervisor

I am a hard working, respectful member of staff who is always happy to help anyone with anything. I am polite and pride myself on honesty. I have a few hobbies which include riding motocross, vehicle repairs and restorations and also DIY and garden projects. I am very family orientated and enjoy spending a lot of my time with my three children, taking part in family activities.