Dr Carr - Head Teacher

Welcome to Woodlands Primary School! Hello everyone! I am Dr Carr, and I am delighted to be entering my 6th year of working at Woodlands Primary School. I cannot wait to spend another year as part of such a dynamic and creative team. I always have lots of exciting things planned for staff and pupils, and this coming year is no different!



I have a real passion for learning myself and you will often hear me encouraging our staff, student teachers and even governors to broaden their knowledge and skill base alongside the experiences they gain from working in, and with, our school. Last year I completed another Masters (this time in Modern Military History) with a particular focus on leadership and my dissertation was around the skills that are transferable from education, through business and into the military that make good leaders good – this kept me current and open minded about leadership developments for the future and ensured that I remain completely up to the job in hand here! I plan on commencing a new MA in Global Security – with a focus especially on cyber security which is becoming a threat to schools just like other organisations.

When I am not in school, I enjoy going to concerts, spending time with our school dog, Gus, my 2 teenagers, my big family and my friends (particularly at the beach!) and being outdoors in the hills. Alternatively, I am found writing books (I have almost finished my second and have started research for my third!) recording podcasts about education and leadership, or supporting colleagues in their endeavours to further their careers.

You will often find me signing up for some challenge or another to raise money for charity. If I am not out beach or hill walking, I am usually in the gym, reading, or watching rugby because I am a huge fan (and it is by far the best game ever!). I believe that in order to succeed it is vital to work as a team, which we do SO well here, and we really support one another. This has been especially important through all of the challenges we have faced globally and nationally in recent years, and opportunities that this new year may bring.

I cannot wait to see all of our returning pupils, and to get to know all of our new pupils - to learn all about their hopes, dreams and aspirations, and be an integral part of them realising those dreams!

Mrs Liversey - Deputy Head Teacher

I am Mrs Liversey and I am the DHT of our amazing school. I have been working at Woodlands Primary School for over 12 years now and I just love being a part of our fabulous school community. I cannot wait to spend another year at our brilliant school!

Like Dr Carr, I love to read all about leadership in schools and I have recently (successfully) completed my NPQH which allowed me to



develop my skills in leadership. It also enabled me to keep up to date with current leadership developments for the future! I am also a school governor at a school in Runcorn and this

again supports me in being forward thinking and allows me to work strategically in a different context.

When I am not in school, I continue to spend my time being a 'Mum taxi' for my two children, Rebecca, 24, and Cameron, 19! No matter what age, I have learnt that children need you at every stage of their lives!

I have a real passion for travel; I enjoy walking in the Lake District with my dog, Flynn, holidaying in Cornwall (which is my favourite place ever!) and I also like to explore new, foreign destinations! Geography was my favourite subject at high school and I loved it that much I studied for a degree in the subject! Another of my favourite things to do is to curl up in a comfy chair relaxing with a great book – I just love reading and hope that I instil a passion and love for reading in the children in our school.

I can't wait for the new school year to get started and I will be continuing to work closely with Dr Carr and all of the staff to make sure that this year is the best year yet for you all at Woodlands! We have lots of exciting things planned for you to participate in this year. Remember to pop to see me in my office to show me all of your fantastic work!