



Abbot's Hill

Joanne Wallace, Head of Pre-Prep



Joanne joined Abbots Hill as a Year 1 teacher in 2018.

She graduated from Warwick University with a BA honours (QTS)-Sci and began teaching in north Nottinghamshire.

During her teaching career she has taught in the state and independent sector from Reception to Year 6. She has taught across the country from Nottingham to London and Hertfordshire. She has also taught in Melbourne, Australia, where she developed her teaching of creative curriculum and Early Years.

Joanne's positions of responsibility include Computing Coordinator, Induction and Transition Leader, Assessment and Tracking coordinator and Early Years Coordinator.

More recently Joanne was the Foundation stage and Phase 1 leader at Abbot's Hill.

Joanne loves outdoor pursuits and world travel. She endeavours to foster a love and care of the natural environment in the children she teaches.

Joanne told her parents at a very young age that 'When I grow up, I want to be a teacher' and has never veered from this path. She is passionate about helping children to reach their potential and develop as learners. She has a passion for Early Years Education. Getting it right in the first years of education for children is paramount in developing a child's attitude to learning, resilience and attitude to risk.

Joanne lives with her husband and three young children in St Albans. Her perspective on education comes very much from watching her own children navigate the school system and ultimately wanting their mental wellbeing to be a priority throughout their schooling.

Joanne is pleased to be made Head of Pre-Prep and is proud to be working as part of the team at Abbots Hill.