

Meet the Team

Tom Gill – Head of Department

My aim is to provide students with lessons which are relevant and relatable to their lives. I believe that our students are uniquely positioned to effect change within their communities and beyond, and I want my lessons to give students the skills they'll need to make that happen. A bit of a culture vulture, I love using the best of contemporary writing across various forms to inspire students and get them to see that English doesn't just belong to William Shakespeare (as important as he is!)

Rebecca Hulcoop – SENCO and Teacher of English

I've been a teacher of English for over 13 years and I teach both Key Stage 3 and 4. I taught at a mainstream school for 8 years before moving to Keyham Lodge as I felt that I would really make a difference in an SEMH school. I was right! No day is the same and I am invested in helping all of our students achieve their very best within my subject area. Our GCSE results improve year upon year and I couldn't be prouder of the accomplishments of all of my students. I have completed my NPQSL and am also currently studying towards my SENCo Award, in order to move on to a different career path as the KS3 SENCo, which I am really looking forward to!

Nim Sudra – Assistant Head and Teacher of English

I've been a teacher of English and Media Studies for 18 years. Over the years I have taught both subjects at KS3, 4 and 5. A qualified English AST and accredited SLE, I have a particular passion for English and the difference excellent English teaching can have on the entitle educational journey of a student. I love my job and feel privileged to be working within a school that's ultimate ambition is to support students to become their best self.

Marie-Claire Goodman – Head of Complimentary Curriculum and Teacher of English

I have taught for 9 years in both mainstream and special school setting as a Drama and English teacher in KS3, KS4 and KS5. Having been at Keyham Lodge School for almost 3 years now, I love being a part of the English department supporting our students with gaining their English Functional Skills qualification. Alongside my role teaching in school, I also work closely with the Complimentary Curriculum team supporting our students with their KS4 pathways and delivering lessons offsite around the city. Teaching at Keyham Lodge School enables me to equip our students to become respectful, responsible and resilient young people.

Tanzeel Mukadam – English Teacher

Emma Sperry – Level 3 Teaching Assistant, Reading Ambassador and Learning Mentor

I have worked at Keyham Lodge for 5 years. During my time here, I have worked across many areas of the school, but when asked to join the English team, as a curriculum T.A and reading ambassador I couldn't say no! Since joining the team I have taken part in many training opportunities focused in how best to support our students in English. I am currently studying for a Diploma in specialist dyslexia support, inference support and a degree in English Literature with the hope to upskill my knowledge and to become a specialist teacher in the future.

Lori Hurst – Intervention and Learning Mentor

This is my 7th year working in education. I work with students mostly on a 1:1 basis to develop their literacy skills, but I also support groups in the classroom. I have completed courses in teaching phonics and also a level 4 CPD award in developing literacy skills in learners with Dyslexia.