

Hello! I have been asked to write a little blurb about myself so that you can have a little more insight into me as a class teacher at St. Mary's CofE (Aided) Primary School.

Where to start? Teaching is not my first profession. I studied history of modern Art, Design and Film at Newcastle University...which was rather a long time ago now. I spent most of my childhood in Leicester, but my family began to migrate to the Isle of Man from the late 60's onwards and we moved there in the 1980's. I still have a very strong connection with the island today. I moved to Surrey in my mid-twenties and took a job as a private client manager for the rich and famous, looking after their personal insurance requirements.

I am married and have two sons. One is currently at The Weald and the other is still in primary school. A few years ago my insurance career became more and more tricky with the juggling of family life and work. I had a passion for working with children and would always volunteer at my sons' schools. When I had the opportunity, and with the support of my husband, I took a few years away from working and trained to become a primary school teacher. It was the best decision I could have made.

This is my first year as a qualified teacher. I am so pleased to have been offered the opportunity to work at St. Mary's. Aside from teaching, I enjoy long walks in the countryside with the family and a rather loopy dog. I enjoy cooking and would love to travel more.

Please do not hesitate to come and introduce yourselves to me.

Regards,

Mrs Benson