Meet Our Pastoral Team

Here to support our Ashbrook families

At Ashbrook, we want every child and family to feel valued, listened to and supported. Our pastoral team works together to understand each family's needs and help children feel safe, happy and ready to learn. Whether you need advice, a listening ear or some extra support for your child, we are here to help.

Who's who in our pastoral team?



Mrs Everett – Safeguarding and Attendance Officer

Mrs Everett is a friendly face for children and families at Ashbrook. She is often on the school gate in the morning and hosts our parent coffee mornings. She supports families with attendance, safeguarding and pastoral concerns, helping them access the right support.

Sarah Hulme – School Counsellor

Sarah is in school on Mondays. She provides counselling support for children and runs our weekly 'Speak with Sarah' drop-in. Children can request to speak with Sarah by completing a slip from the worry box outside the library. Sarah can also offer advice and support to staff and families when appropriate.



Keiron Palmer – Sports Coach and Mentor

Keiron works with children across the school through PE, sports clubs, mentoring and inclusive physical activities. He helps children develop confidence, positive relationships and teamwork, providing opportunities for children to receive support in ways that work for them.

Mrs Johnstone – Deputy Headteacher and SENCO

Mrs Johnstone supports children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and works with families to identify the right support. She also helps lead safeguarding across the school and regularly hosts coffee mornings where parents can seek advice and guidance.



Mrs Dell – Head of School

Mrs Dell leads Ashbrook and is part of the school's safeguarding team. She oversees the pastoral support offered to children and families and is also the school's designated teacher for children who are looked after. Mrs Dell also leads on behaviour, ensuring that our behaviour policy and approaches are applied consistently and that children receive the right support to help them succeed.

Mr Collins- Behaviour support



As well as being a fantastic teacher, Mr Collins works alongside Mrs Dell to support behaviour across the school. Together, they help staff put our behaviour policy into practice consistently, build positive relationships and identify the right support for individual children.



Mrs Laing- ELSA Practitioner

Mrs Laing is a trained Emotional Literacy Support Assistant (ELSA). She supports children through planned blocks of sessions tailored to their individual emotional and social needs. She also works across classes, helping children develop the skills and confidence they need to manage their emotions, build positive relationships and engage in learning.



Mrs Hadfield- DSL Admin

Mrs Hadfield works in our school office and provides administrative support for safeguarding. She helps ensure that important information is recorded and passed on appropriately so that children can be kept safe and supported.

How do I contact the pastoral team?

For general enquiries or support

office@ashbrook-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk

01332 673785

You can also contact us through ClassDojo for general questions.

Urgent safeguarding concerns

Email: safeguarding@ashbrook-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk

You can also telephone the school.

Please do not use ClassDojo for urgent safeguarding concerns, as messages are not monitored continuously.

At Ashbrook, we want every family to feel that they can approach us. If you are unsure who to speak to, please contact the school office and we will help you find the right person.

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