



Meet the Senior Leadership Team

Fred Asquith - Senior Assistant Headteacher



My first appointment at Hendon was as Head of Expressive Arts in 2002, in that role I introduced dance into the Expressive Arts curriculum, supported the introduction of Btec Performing Arts and co-directed many of the school productions.

In 2008 I joined the leadership team and worked closely with the Head of Sixth Form to raise standards and with other stakeholders to develop better facilities for our students, including the planning and design of the Sixth Form Centre.

My main responsibility now is working with the managers of our Autistic and Deaf Provisions, and our Special Educational Needs Coordinator to ensure that our inclusive curriculum meets the needs of all our students. The school prides itself on the strength of its inclusive practice, which has ensured outstanding outcomes for so many.

I was born in Liverpool, studied Performance at the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama in Cardiff, part of the University of Wales, and completed my teacher training at the Institute of Education at London University.

Tom Mann - Senior Assistant Headteacher

Hello all. My Name is Tom Mann. I was born and raised in Hemel Hempstead and qualified as a PE teacher with Science as a second subject. I have been lucky enough to have taught in many schools including primary, further education, secondary and special schools and also to travel and live in Australia, New Zealand and Canada. However, the best school I have ever taught in is Hendon School. I have been lucky to have been SENCo, Head of Year, Assistant Headteacher and now Senior Assistant Headteacher.



At Hendon School I have taught Science, PE, Btec Work Skills, Maths and Literacy and have been in charge of lots of interesting things which currently include behaviour, attendance, staff well-being, KS3, 6th form and our professional degree programme. This all keeps me busy and able to spend a lot of time with our lovely staff and students which is what makes the job so interesting and enjoyable. I spend my spare time with my wife and young daughter, trying to stay fit by competing in open water swims and taking my lunchtime fitness club on a Wednesday and Friday. I have recently retired from playing rugby which allows me now to walk properly on a Monday morning. I hope to be able to keep working with the school and helping us remain outstanding, trying to get the best possible outcomes for our students.

Simon Leicester - Finance & Business Director



I joined Hendon this term to initially manage the Finance and HR functions, with other support functions to follow. I have most recently been working at Imperial College, London for the last three years (Central Finance, Operations Group and Faculty of Medicine Finance Department) and previously worked as a Finance & Facilities Director for four years at the Health Professions Council, a UK health regulator based in London that's a similar size to Hendon School.

I am a kiwi who moved to the UK in 2003, so will be supporting both the All Blacks and England for the World Cup later this year.

Regarding educational and professional affiliations, I am MBA and ACA qualified and an Associate member of the Certified Institute of Personnel and Development. Outside of work, I am married with two teenage boys who are mad on computer gaming. In my spare time I enjoy catching up with friends and family, DSLR photography, going to the gym and countryside walking.

Investing in Our Futures - Tuesday 10th March 6-8pm

Investing in Our Futures is a careers event with a difference. Our Year 12 students organise the whole event for themselves. It is similar to a speed dating event, where students meet with people working in a variety of jobs they are interested in. Each volunteer will speak to 5 or 6 students for about 20 minutes; the time will be divided between telling them about their job and then a question and answer session.

We are currently looking for volunteers to come in and speak to the students. Each year parents have supported the event and this year we hope you will volunteer again.

Our students and volunteers rate this as one of the best careers events that they attend. If you are able to support or have any questions, please contact us on info@hendonschool.co.uk

Reminder - School closes at 2.50 pm on Thursday 29th January to allow staff to take part in the new Headteacher interview process

SMASHfest UK 2015 - Science and Arts Festival

We would like to invite you, your students and their parents to an innovative, exciting and unique science and arts festival - SMASHfest UK 2015. This festival aims to engage new audiences in Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths and Medicine (STEM) subjects and redefine the way science events are experienced.



SMASHfest UK festival blends science and arts - STE<A>M - through a big storyline. It puts participation, thrills, problem-solving and entertainment at the core of the experience.

"An asteroid is hurtling through the sky, heading for the UK's capital. Where will it land? How big is it? When will it impact? What will happen to us when it lands? What can we do to prepare for or prevent Armageddon?"

We have amazing science experts joining us to talk about and show the real science behind asteroids, their materials and space missions.

22 nd January, 6-7pm	Dr. Suze Kundu will focus on the material chemistry of asteroids and the technology we use to explore space. Venue: Middlesex University
29 th January, 6-7pm	Professor Monica Grady will take us into the Rosetta Mission, the preparation of its experiments and the drama of landing on the comet. Venue: Middlesex University
5 th February, 5-7pm	Dr. Sheila Kanani will be riffing around space science, astrobiology and magic, while Tottenham UTC is taken over by a SMASHfest UK mini-festival of demos, tryouts and performances. Venue: Tottenham University Technical College
12 th February, 6-7pm	Dr Lindsay Keith & Yomi Ayeni will talk about blending real science and storytelling to create the core trans-media experience of SMASHfest UK. They will also get the audience to participate as part of the cast for the 'Zombie/Pandemic' movie being created and shown as a centrepiece of the IMPACT Day Show on February 18. Venue: Middlesex University

SMASHfestUK main events will take place between 16-22 February. To find out more, please visit: www.smashfestuk.com

NCS Reminder

Year 11 and 12 students can now book their place on NCS (The Challenge). Book by 4th February and take advantage of the Earlybird discount, the cost of the trip will be £35 per person. Any questions please contact Miss Doona on DoonaN@hendonschool.co.uk or look on the website www.ncsyet.co.uk

Sign Of the Week



Reflection

Diary Dates

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