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FOREWORD BY COUNCILLOR SUZY HORTON DEPUTY LEADER AND CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND EDUCATION



Welcome to the Teach Portsmouth Awards 2022

I'm thrilled to be back to celebrate our incredible colleagues for our fourth Teach Portsmouth Awards. For me, last year's virtual awards ceremony highlighted the importance of recognising success, despite the challenges of COVID-19. While those challenges have not gone away, this experience reaffirmed why we need to shine a light on those going above and beyond in exceptional ways.

Although we are not able to invite every single colleague today, the Teach Portsmouth Awards provide an opportunity to look back over the last academic year and consider the impact everyone has made on the Portsmouth community.

During this time, I have seen the power of the Portsmouth Education Partnership, working collaboratively with colleagues in schools, colleges, and other organisations across the city to ensure children and young people receive the education they deserve.

Tonight's event is a chance to celebrate your achievements in 10 award categories. We are here to pay tribute to all our colleagues who have supported every child and young person to become the best versions of themselves.

I would like to thank all our sponsors for making tonight's event possible. I hope you will join me in celebrating everyone's successes.

YOUR AWARDS HOST SHAPARAK KHORSANDI



I can't wait to celebrate your achievements at the Teach Portsmouth Awards as your host.

Examples of school and college staff who go above and beyond the call of duty are heart-warming and reaffirm the important role they play in our lives.

When you host an event, your aim is to channel your own experiences. The opportunity to reflect comes with the chance to provide light-hearted relief through humour.

I hope you will join me in reflecting on your own experiences over the course of the evening and have fun along the way.

While the last few years have certainly been a rollercoaster ride, I would like to say thank you for all that you do and continue to do. I look forward to learning more about you and your incredible successes tonight.

SCHEDULE

6:30pm – 7:30pm	Buffet opens (main auditorium)
7:30pm	Teach Portsmouth Awards commence – Introduction from Shaparak Khorsandi
7:45pm	Councillor Suzy Horton, Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education
7:50pm	Lord Mayor of Portsmouth, Councillor Canon Dr Hugh Mason
7:55pm	Mike Stoneman, deputy director for education at Portsmouth City Council
8pm	Tribute to Deamonn Hewett–Dale – Lee Dallinger, headteacher at Kingsham Primary School (former deputy headteacher at Flying Bull Academy)
8:05pm – 8:45pm	Teaching assistant of the year award – Sponsored by: Caterlink New teacher of the year award – Sponsored by: University of Portsmouth People’s choice award – Sponsored by: The News Innovation in teaching award – Sponsored by: Gunwharf Quays Long service award – Sponsored by: National Education Union
8:55pm – 9:20pm	Interval (downstairs bar re–opens)
9:20pm – 9:25pm	Tribute to Jo Parish – Anne Hibberd, executive head teacher / Sophie Bennett, head teacher at Ark Ayrton Primary Academy
9:25pm – 10:15pm	Creativity award – Sponsored by: HSDC Inclusion and diversity award – Sponsored by: City of Portsmouth College Community and collaboration award – Sponsored by: Mountjoy Unsung hero award – Sponsored by: Thinking Schools Academy Trust Outstanding contribution award – Sponsored by: Kier
10:15pm – 10:20pm	Closing remarks – Sarah Daly, director of children and families at Portsmouth City Council

TEACHING ASSISTANT OF THE YEAR AWARD

This award recognises a teaching assistant in Portsmouth who goes above and beyond to support children and young people in the classroom.

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Nominations

- ▶ **Charley Lock - Castle View Academy**
- ▶ **Natasha Goodchild - City of Portsmouth College**
- ▶ **Titilola Olaoye - City of Portsmouth College**
- ▶ **Donna Vasey - City of Portsmouth College**
- ▶ **Connie Tull - City of Portsmouth College**
- ▶ **Beth Hunt - City of Portsmouth College**
- ▶ **Charlene Johnston - Copnor Primary School**
- ▶ **Angela Moore - Highbury Primary School**
- ▶ **Jacqueline Evans - Mayfield School**
- ▶ **Anna Carter - Meon Junior School**
- ▶ **Ashley Arnell - Newbridge Junior School**
- ▶ **Nicci Paffett - Penhale Infant School**
- ▶ **Jade Matthews - Springfield School**
- ▶ **Valerie Thomson - St Edmund's Catholic School**
- ▶ **Tracy Whitehouse - The Flying Bull Academy**
- ▶ **Sylvie Richardson - The Portsmouth Academy**
- ▶ **Jacquelyn Murphie - Wimborne Primary School**

Shortlisted nominations

Deborah De Caen

Admiral Lord Nelson School

Debbie has dedicated over 20 years of her career to supporting young people with special educational needs. She is 100% focused on securing the best outcomes for young people, be it academic qualifications or helping them handle themselves in social situations. In the last 4 years, Debbie has worked tirelessly with young down syndrome students - ensuring that they can access a full curriculum and become part of school life. This includes trips and extracurricular activities. Debbie is also very thoughtful about the wellbeing of others.

Sally May

Priory School

Sally epitomises unconditional positivity that we expect all colleagues to show pupils at the school. Sally's calm and caring support creates safety for some of our most vulnerable students. The atmosphere Sally effortlessly creates enables students to complete work and achieve success beyond expectation. Whenever we have reviews for students, Sally is always named as a member of staff with whom students have a positive relationship with. Beyond this, Sally extends the same care, humour and consideration to colleagues too.

Alice Robinson

Trafalgar School

Alice is an exceptional inclusion support assistant who possesses a real drive and passion for supporting children at school and within the wider community. She has supported families by organising and delivering collections of food and clothing, decorating students' homes and organising donations for Christmas and birthday presents. Even though Alice never draws attention to the support she provides, the impact she makes is significant. Alice championed the introduction of the Lexia programme that has led to an 8% - 27% increase in students receiving a standardised score of above 100 for reading comprehension. Her modest, conscientious, non-judgmental and compassionate nature always shines through.

NEW TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

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This award is aimed at recognising the most inspirational new teacher in Portsmouth. New teachers must have started in the past three years and work in a Portsmouth school or college.

Nominations

- ▶ **Luke Clarke - Ark Dickens Primary Academy**
- ▶ **Amelia Popham - Castle View Academy**
- ▶ **Jenna Hickman - City of Portsmouth College**
- ▶ **Charley Poolton - Highbury Primary School**
- ▶ **Betheny Smith - Mayfield School**
- ▶ **Neil O'Rourke - Miltoncross Academy**
- ▶ **Louise Mann - Priory School**
- ▶ **Susannah Chester-Davis - St Edmund's Catholic School**
- ▶ **Jane Kova - The Flying Bull Academy**
- ▶ **Corey Burns - The Flying Bull Academy**

Shortlisted nominations

Lukasz Plaza

Admiral Lord Nelson School

Lukasz joined as a newly qualified teacher in 2020 after training with the school in his initial teacher training year. During the pandemic, technology was an important tool during lockdown. Lukasz proactively completed a Google qualification to build both his own skills and in turn the department's website. Now in his second year of teaching, Lukasz has used his experience to help early career teachers (ECT) organise themselves through professional learning sessions and coaching. This has helped ECTs co-ordinate their evidence so they can be successful practitioners. He has also become a postgraduate certificate in education (PGCE) mentor as he is committed to developing his colleague's practice.

Emma Creasey

Copnor Primary School

Emma started as an unqualified teacher during lockdown. She quickly adapted to this new challenge, converting to qualified teacher status (QTS) via the assessment only route (AOR). In September 2021, Emma became a fulltime member of staff. She made new relationships with her class and colleagues as well as completing her teaching qualification. During this time, she has led on science themed topics, integrating a child into the class who had no knowledge of English language and supported a new teaching assistant in their role. Emma is an asset to the school, Portsmouth and teaching.

Chloe Randles-Henshaw

Trafalgar School

Chloe began her career at Trafalgar School in 2020 as a newly qualified teacher (NQT) in the English department. She has an unrelenting drive for excellence and has taken on every opportunity to further her professional development in order to improve outcomes and opportunities for students. Chloe has a passion for outdoor education and a desire for all students to experience success, resulting in her leading the Duke of Edinburgh Award this year. She has also been instrumental in growing the volunteer staff team, co-ordinating their training to ensure they have the skills to help run the award successfully.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

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This award allows members of the general public to nominate a teacher, learning support assistant or head teacher who has gone above and beyond during the pandemic in unique ways.



Nominations

- ▶ Rebecca Blades - Ark Charter Academy
- ▶ Vickie Smith - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Laura Berry - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Debbie Stagno - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Chloe Jackson - Arundel Court Primary Academy
- ▶ Rachael Waters - Beacon View Primary Academy
- ▶ Gemma Conway - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Gillian Sandiford - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Harpreet Gill - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Ia Matthews - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Ian Orr - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Nicola Payne - Cliffdale Primary Academy
- ▶ Helen Cuthbert - Cliffdale Primary Academy
- ▶ Ria Matthews - Copnor Primary School
- ▶ Ashley Howard - Highbury Primary School
- ▶ Colette Geer - Highbury Primary School
- ▶ Lawrence Magnus - Highbury Primary School
- ▶ David Churchill - King's Academy Northern Parade
- ▶ Emily Kingdon - King's Academy Northern Parade
- ▶ Steph Beck - King's Academy Northern Parade
- ▶ Rachel Smedley - King's Academy Northern Parade
- ▶ Pre-school teaching team - Little Stars Pre-School
- ▶ Catherine Holloway - Manor Infant School
- ▶ Emma Wells - Manor Infant School
- ▶ Isabelle Hooke - Manor Infant School
- ▶ Lesley Bird - Manor Infant School
- ▶ Helen Castle - Manor Infant School
- ▶ Popi Mahmud - Manor Infant School
- ▶ Jack Davies - Mayfield School
- ▶ Joanne Fairley - Mayfield School
- ▶ Karen Morey - Meon Infant School
- ▶ Kathryn Reid - Meon Infant School
- ▶ Sara Paine - Meon Junior School
- ▶ Kayleigh Garnett - Milton Park Primary School
- ▶ Rachel Thripp - Moorings Way Infant School and Meon Infant School
- ▶ Owen Greenaway - Newbridge Junior School
- ▶ Krystal Byrne - New Horizons Primary School
- ▶ Connor Hayden - New Horizons Primary School
- ▶ Rebekah Hibbert - New Horizons Primary School
- ▶ Eilidh Holmes - New Horizons Primary School
- ▶ Natalie Royston - Penhale Infant School
- ▶ Ashleigh Thomson - Priory School
- ▶ Harriet Widlake - Priory School
- ▶ Jo Snewin - Priory School
- ▶ Rebekah Spalding - Priory School
- ▶ Stewart Vaughan - Priory School
- ▶ Lewis Mason - Solent Infant School
- ▶ Jason Harris - St Jude's Church of England Primary School
- ▶ Sarah Wilcox - St Jude's Church of England Primary School
- ▶ Laura Hoff - St Swithun's Catholic Primary School
- ▶ Samantha Carter - The Flying Bull Academy
- ▶ Jennifer Wood - The Portsmouth Academy
- ▶ Matt Palmer - The Portsmouth Academy
- ▶ Hannah Burrows - Trafalgar School
- ▶ Rosie Clements-Gander - Trafalgar School
- ▶ Joe Blakely - Wimborne Primary School

Shortlisted nominations

Rebekah Egerton

Beacon View Primary Academy

"My child is very difficult to work with. They are under CAMHS and barely any teachers have been able to reach them. There has been a profound difference since Rebekah started supporting them on a one to one basis. My child now completes work on time, looks forward to going to school and is utterly distraught if they are unable to help them. Rebekah has gained their trust. She has a unique understanding and patience towards them which also helps our home life as they are more relaxed than they used to be. I hope she can be seen as an example to other teachers to not give up on 'problem children'. Given that my child has thrown things at her and screamed at her, she remains professional at all times."

Amanda Bushell

Stamshaw Junior School

"My child struggles with anxiety. Lockdown had left them feeling even less confident. With secondary school looming, this was a really challenging time for my child and Miss Bushell pulled out all the stops to support them emotionally. She worked hard to keep me in the loop – so we could both use the same techniques to provide consistent support. She was also a huge support to me during lockdown while I home-schooled, worked, and looked after three children. Miss Bushell made the effort to contact me regularly to check in. We do not qualify for any additional support from other sources. However, I was not used to this level of care, until Miss Bushell came along. She provided me with the resources to support an anxious child and has made such a difference to all our lives. I know she says she is only doing her job, but in my eyes, she went above and beyond."

Dee lent

Cumberland Infant School

"Mrs lent supports my child who is blind. In preparation for my child to join the school, Mrs lent learnt braille and adjusted all the learning materials and activities to accommodate my child's lack of vision. She even adapted the rewards for good work. For example, for the Great Fire of London, Mrs lent created a smoke-scented bag that would crackle to emulate the smell and sound of a fire. My child's blindness can be very isolating but Mrs lent has made learning so inclusive and fun that that my child is in tears on the occasions she is unable to attend school. During lockdown, Mrs lent recorded messages and arranged calls to continue my child's education. In short, Mrs lent means we do not worry about my child's education at the school."



We are the NEU Join Us

As proud sponsors of the Teach Portsmouth Long Service Award, we would like to say a huge **THANK YOU** to all who are involved in education in Portsmouth. Whether you've helped students in a support role, been a classroom teacher or lecturer or have progressed through to senior leadership, colleagues who are recognised in this category have gone above and beyond during the last two decades. The NEU has been privileged to be with many of you on this journey.

Who are we?

The National Education Union (NEU) is the largest education union in Europe. We represent more than 460,000 members, including teachers, lecturers, support staff, and school leaders, in maintained and independent schools and colleges across the UK. As the largest education union, both nationally and here in Portsmouth, we have a powerful voice and have been effective in winning improvements to our members' working conditions and shaping an education system that works for all.

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INNOVATION IN TEACHING AWARD

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WATERFRONT OUTLET SHOPPING

This award goes to school and college staff (individuals or teams) who have developed new approaches and innovative practices that have had a positive impact on teaching and learning in Portsmouth.

Nominations

- **Katie Jenkins - Fernhurst Junior School**
- **Kirsty Hosken - Fernhurst Junior School**
- **Sally Dannock - Miltoncross Academy**
- **Priya Mundy - Newbridge Junior School**
- **Game-changer team - Priory School**
- **Robert Hughes - St Edmund's Catholic School**
- **Charlene Simms - Trafalgar School**

Shortlisted nominations

Millie Woolcott

Copnor Primary School

Millie has recently undertaken training for Destination Reader. She has strived to implement new strategies into her own teaching to ensure that all pupils make accelerated progress. She frequently takes risks in her practice to encourage all her pupils, and those across the year group she leads, to learn new skills and knowledge, questioning this in a safe environment. As a result, it is evident her pupils can use these skills to make new ideas. Through team teaching, coaching, planning support and filming her own lessons to share best practice with others, Millie has, and continues to show innovation in her teaching.

Philip Royle

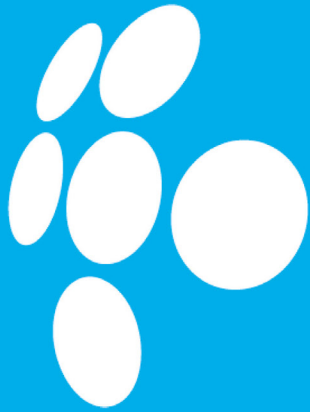
Mayfield School

Phil is an enthusiastic and early adopter of technology to make learning more effective for his classes. When the country went into lockdown and lessons moved online, Phil quickly saw the potential of Microsoft Teams to allow for a more personalised experience. To that end, he has pioneered and developed Geography Bridge, the gap revision and intervention units for key stage 4. Each unit is a standalone revision opportunity that covers the basics, develops thinking and brings together expert classroom pedagogy and digital innovations. Phil's pioneering spirit to preserve the lessons of lockdown and develop a new mode of teaching is being cascaded across the school and continues to champion digital innovation.

Chiara Fraser, Liv Fox and Samantha Devoil

The Portsmouth Academy

The team have begun a reading revolution at the school. The pandemic led to significant gaps in reading ability for our year 7s and year 8s, which could limit their life chances if they are not closed. The team designed a curriculum based around reading for year 7. They have innovated by using technology to "level the playing field" in terms of access. They have embedded the use of immersive readers and other accessibility tools. They have also embedded a reading culture with a home learning program that utilises the Microsoft Reading Progress app. As a result of their drive, the school has seen an average increase in progress score of +5 months between September and February.



THINKING SCHOOLS ACADEMY TRUST

Proudly sponsoring the Unsung Hero Award

This year has again truly tested our communities. It is inspiring to see so many individuals continue to go beyond expectations to serve young people and keep them safe.

This year, we are delighted to be part of the Teach Portsmouth Awards and celebrate like-minded people who believe in transforming life chances every day.

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LONG SERVICE AWARD

This award is for teachers, support staff or leaders who have worked in the city for over 20 years. There is no overall winner in this category and everyone who is recognised will receive an award.

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Nominations

- ▶ Carol Dunn - Ark Charter Academy
- ▶ Carmen Ward - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Caroline Gough - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Debbie Stagno - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Jacqueline Large - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Jennifer Robinson - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Kim George - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Sharon Ferrett - Ark Dickens Primary Academy
- ▶ Anitha Venugopal - Arundel Court Primary Academy
- ▶ Emma Thorpe - Arundel Court Primary Academy
- ▶ Maria Smout - Arundel Court Primary Academy
- ▶ Teresa Campbell - Arundel Court Primary Academy
- ▶ Angela Bosshardt - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Danny Monk - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Emma Morley - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Emma Horner - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Jacqueline Alexander - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Joana Hagi - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Kathleen Emmott - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Kay Hill - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Kelly Bryant - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Linda Kopinska - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Lisa Skirrow - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Michelle Ferrett - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Nasima Hoque - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Nicola Stock - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Samantha King - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Sarah Warren - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Sarah Whelan - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Stephen Fitzgerald - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Teresa Cole - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Trudie Perkins - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Randolph Vince - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ Erika Anders - Mayfield School
- ▶ Karin Gardner - Mayfield School
- ▶ Sharon Rolfe - Mayfield School
- ▶ Kerrie Parsons - Mayfield School
- ▶ Jennifer Pateman - Mayfield School
- ▶ Jo Buck - Mayfield School
- ▶ Peter Head - Mayfield School
- ▶ Gayle Head - Mayfield School
- ▶ Louise Hillier - Mayfield School
- ▶ Helen Patis - Mayfield School
- ▶ Jill Hall - Mayfield School
- ▶ Joanne Fairley - Mayfield School
- ▶ Steven Browning - Mayfield School
- ▶ Wanda Barnes - Mayfield School
- ▶ Karen Morey - Meon Infant School

- ▶ **Ann Simmons - Meon Infant School**
- ▶ **Christine Turner - Meon Junior School**
- ▶ **Lisa O'Brien-Ewart - Miltoncross Academy**
- ▶ **Samantha Tuck - Miltoncross Academy**
- ▶ **Helen Blachford - Priory School**
- ▶ **Jane Ramsay - Priory School**
- ▶ **Jacqueline Harris - Priory School**
- ▶ **Jan Allen - Priory School**
- ▶ **Wendy Rowlands - Priory School**
- ▶ **Nick Johnstone - Priory School**
- ▶ **Anna Fancey - Stamshaw Infant School**
- ▶ **Elisabeth Phelan - Stamshaw Infant School**
- ▶ **Caroline Esmaili - St Edmund's Catholic School**
- ▶ **Jade Horsted - St Paul's Catholic Primary School**
- ▶ **Pamela Jones - St Paul's Catholic Primary School**
- ▶ **Bernadette Davies - The Flying Bull Academy**
- ▶ **Helen Cheek - The Portsmouth Academy**
- ▶ **Clare Rhodes - The Portsmouth Academy**
- ▶ **June Leigh - The Portsmouth Academy**
- ▶ **Rachel Grey - The Portsmouth Academy**
- ▶ **Janet Morrison - Trafalgar School**
- ▶ **Mark Cathie - Trafalgar School**
- ▶ **Matthew Gronow - Trafalgar School**
- ▶ **Sharon Nutland - Trafalgar School**
- ▶ **Tracy Crouch - Trafalgar School**

CREATIVITY AWARD

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This award goes to the staff (individuals or teams) who have developed new approaches or adapted teaching methods that go beyond the conventional curriculum which support creative thinking and provide opportunities for all pupils to expand their creativity.

Nominations

- **Steve Fenner - Admiral Lord Nelson School**
- **Anne Cope - Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School**

Shortlisted nominations

Vicki Furby

Newbridge Junior School

Vicky has developed a series of enrichment activities at the school, designed for children who struggle working with others. She uses pupil voice to help guide the activities that are planned. The activities are often of a creative nature. An example includes outdoor art which requires children to work as a group to create a finished product to be proud of. Vicky always celebrates their work throughout the school and encourages the children to reflect on how working together has affected their learning. By using creativity, the children have really developed their team-working skills.

Chris Ricketts

Priory School

Chris has developed and encouraged creativity since joining the school. He started the Arts Award at Priory School in 2021. He is also aiming to achieve the Arts Mark Award over the coming year. Chris is working with each individual faculty area to develop their creativity across the curriculum. His work has involved focusing on the music curriculum which now places more of an emphasis on student voice, metacognition and inclusivity. Chris is now seeking further professional development opportunities to continue this work. He is a singer and musician in his own right. This passion for his subject is clear from all who meet him.

Rebecca Frost (and the nursery team)

Highbury Primary School

Rebecca has developed and embedded a 'curiosity approach' to learning in the foundation stage. This takes a variety of forms and is carefully planned to incorporate the EYFS areas of learning. 'Planning in the moment' and the 'curiosity approach' are ways in which all children are encouraged to be active and independent. As a result, the children are offered 'real life' experiences and have developed confidently with the skills they need for their learning and development. Subsequently, our nursery children arrive into reception with increased confidence and a readiness to learn.

INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY AWARD

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This award celebrates the work of school and college staff who have implemented a strategy or project that has made a difference to inclusive practice and diversity.

Nominations

- ▶ Hayley Harris - Fernhurst Junior School
- ▶ Nurture Group team (The Nest) - Highbury Primary School
- ▶ Senior Leadership team - Highbury Primary School
- ▶ The Rainbow Fish Centre team - Penhale Infant School
- ▶ Helen Blachford & Emma Williams - Priory School
- ▶ Peter Dennett - Springfield School
- ▶ Danny Harmer - The Harbour School
- ▶ Penny Sherbourne - The Portsmouth Academy

Shortlisted nominations

Chris Plow and Patrice Link

Portsmouthdown Primary School

Pat and Chris teach PE and run a Makaton choir at the school. Children's engagement in all aspects of PE, including dance, has been extraordinary. Both have supported children in many disability sports such as blind and amputee football, boccia and seated volleyball. Feedback has shown parents are thankful for extending these opportunities to children outside of the standard curriculum. 50% of our school come from disadvantaged backgrounds and many of our children have complex needs. The school has 40 children in our Makaton choir and a further waiting list. In the school's recent inclusion day, pupils were taught to Makaton sign the song 'True Colours'. Pat and Chris have been ambassadors for inclusion in PE. It is clear from the enjoyment pupil's get from physical activities that this is down to their amazing work.

Charlotte Mason

Miltoncross Academy

Charlotte has set up and built a connecting forces group which started at Miltoncross and has grown to include service children across the city. The main aim is to help service children in a group setting which supports them during deployments and everyday military life. She has started a 'proud of my work' project where the serving parent is emailed work that their child is proud of and wants to share while they are away. More recently, the group successfully bid for an Armed Forces Covenant ESF and have started a city-wide pebble project involving 16 Portsmouth schools. Each one of the 450 service pupils in the project has been given a pebble to decorate in the form of an eye with the slogan: 'keep an eye out for service pupils.' This will lead to a city wide continuing professional development (CPD) event

to be held at Miltoncross in the summer term to share good practice and links between schools with smaller numbers of service pupils. The pebbles will be collected after Easter and will form part of an art installation across parts of the city to help increase awareness.

Pete Dudley

Trafalgar School

Pete is a passionate supporter of LGBTQ+ rights and has been instrumental in creating a culture of celebrating and supporting inclusion within their school community. He has set up an LGBTQ+ club for their students and designed a comprehensive support programme for young people who are transitioning. He has worked with many external agencies and partners to develop best practice in this area. Feedback from students shows how valued his work has been in ensuring that all students feel an equal part of #teamtrafalgar! Pete has delivered bespoke training to ensure all adults are able to confidently support LGBTQ+ students. The work he has completed over the last five years continues to contribute towards a supportive, positive and inclusive ethos at the school.

COMMUNITY AND COLLABORATION AWARD

This award is to celebrate the work of teams or an individual in the school that has made a significant impact on the local community.

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Nominations

- ▶ **Arundel Court Nursery Team - Arundel Court Primary Academy**
- ▶ **Maryann Schulz and Kelly Ford - City of Portsmouth College**
- ▶ **Miltoncross Community Support Team - Miltoncross Academy**
- ▶ **Jo Snewin - Priory School**
- ▶ **Nathan Waites - Springfield School**
- ▶ **Carolyn Toogood - St Edmund's Catholic School**
- ▶ **Lucy Stapenhill - The Flying Bull Academy**

Shortlisted nominations

Sarah Brown

Meon Junior School

In June 2019, Sarah introduced a school eco-warrior club. Despite the challenges of the pandemic, the eco-warriors have made a huge impact upon the culture of the school community. Through running online meetings and reaching out to organisations locally and globally, Sarah's work has been hugely successful. She has single-handedly planted 420 trees, won a recycling award, plastic free school accreditation and a bronze eco school award. Sarah has led the eco-warriors to challenge the school's dinner provider on their food containers which resulted in the company changing their packaging. The warriors have met with their local MP, took part in plastic studies and litter-picked with the University of Portsmouth, PIRC and Final Straw. Sarah has initiated 'school streets' which is a Portsmouth pilot project that closes streets outside schools at drop off and pick up times which reduces traffic and pollution.

Curriculum team

Ark Ayrton Primary Academy

The curriculum team have organised 'kindness week' with a focus on the local community and strengthening relationships with them. The school also wanted to use it as an opportunity to say thank you to everyone in the community. During this time, their relationship with Southsea Fire Station has blossomed. The team have helped with the school's work on fire safety. At Easter, the fire station visited the school to give a workshop with each child receiving an Easter egg. For Remembrance Day, the fire station team came and hung a wall of poppies on the school. For ambitions week, they gave up their time to talk about their role in the hope of inspiring pupils to become firefighters in the future. The school is proud of their work with Southsea Fire Station.

ESOL Department

City of Portsmouth College

The ESOL department provides English lessons to 300 local people of settled/pre-settled and refugee status for whom English is not their first language. The students come from over 40 different nationalities and the department has a combined EFL and ESOL teaching experience of over 100 years. The ESOL department provides a support mechanism and social outlet where the students have a strong sense of belonging. As a result of the team's support and guidance, the students can attend vocational courses or get voluntary jobs locally and give back to the community. The team have fostered an environment where students understand each other's cultures and beliefs and what it is like to be integrated into British society.

UNsung HERO AWARD

This award celebrates the members of the school community who rarely get a mention and are never in the limelight but who are invaluable to the school or college.



Nominations

- ▶ Michael Aston - Castle View Academy
- ▶ Abigail Hurd - City of Portsmouth College
- ▶ FJS office team - Fernhurst Junior School
- ▶ Carolyn Coleby - Gatcombe Park Primary
- ▶ Angela Moore - Highbury Primary School
- ▶ Sharon Hartt - Highbury Primary School
- ▶ Jon Shaw - Mayfield School
- ▶ Helen Mulryne - Miltoncross Academy
- ▶ Geoffrey Edwards - Newbridge Junior School
- ▶ Alan Oliver - Newbridge Junior School
- ▶ Becky Dandy - Penhale Infant School
- ▶ Clare Selwood - Newbridge Junior School
- ▶ Stewart Vaughan - Priory School
- ▶ Lisa Murphy - Priory School
- ▶ Jayne Allen - Springfield School
- ▶ Fiona Fleming - St Edmund's Catholic School
- ▶ Jacqui Murphy - Trafalgar School

Stacey Patrick

Ark Dickens Primary Academy

Stacey is a master of all trades offering support beyond her day to day role. Over the past 18 months she has been cook, 1:1 support, a playground buddy, reader and even an extra member of staff for trips. This all falls well beyond her role as a school cleaner. She has worked hard to cultivate relationships with children, staff and families. Stacey has a brilliant manner with pupils often engaging them in playful and innovative ways. She is an important member of the school community often filling a hole before it even becomes one. Her positive presence brightens the day of everyone she meets.

Sally Walker

Copnor Primary School

Sally is an integral part of the pastoral team. Since starting at the school in 2010, she has worked tirelessly to support all families and is well respected by staff, parents and other professionals across the city. She is thoughtful and will always go above and beyond to ensure pupil safety and wellbeing. She will support families in any way possible, often outside of the remit of her role. It could include her accompanying parents to housing providers, taking anxious pupils for blood tests or medical appointments and driving the school minibus. Sally also supports parents to access the help they need to aid their own wellbeing and mental health. She is a strong advocate for the voice of the child and ensures that adults, whether staff or parents, understand their importance and involvement with the children in their care.

Doug Richards

Meon Junior School

Doug has worked at the school for 21 years. He is exceptional in his job and works tirelessly to ensure the school site is a safe and appealing environment for pupils. On top of this, Doug plays an active role in the school community. For the last few years, he has taken on a year 6 pupil as his assistant site manager. This pupil struggles with their regulation and self-esteem. Their daily work with Doug makes a huge difference to them and their attitude to school life. He regularly volunteers to attend school residential. Doug always puts our pupils first and is an absolute hero.

Mandy O'Mahony

Wimborne Primary School

Mandy is an integral part of the school and supports such a huge range of children. Without her, some of the children would be lost. She never looks for acknowledgement and everything she does is for the children. Mandy always goes above and beyond, whether that is during school hours or attending trips. She supports children whenever and however she can and is always willing to find solutions to help. Mandy is always supportive and guides staff through challenging situations. We are always grateful for her calm and rational expertise.

Michael Bond

Stamshaw Junior School

Michael is very strategic and is always looking for opportunities to improve the school building on a small budget. He is very hands on, building walls, laying carpets, installing kitchenettes and planting gardens. Michael does an amazing job. You only need to think of an idea and Michael will have it in place by the end of the week. He is also brilliant with children – they absolutely love him even when he dresses like Bob the Builder at times.

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION AWARD

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This award recognises the sustained and substantial impact an individual has made on the education of children and young people in Portsmouth. Individuals in the shortlist may have had long careers in education, not just in Portsmouth but have made a significant impact in the city.

Nominations

- ▶ Karen Stocks - Arundel Court Primary Academy
- ▶ Jo Buck - Mayfield School
- ▶ Samantha Tuck - Miltoncross Academy
- ▶ Anna Webb - Newbridge Junior School and Penhale Infant School
- ▶ Hazel Farndell and Carol Neil - Portsdown Primary School
- ▶ Kiera Basham - Priory School
- ▶ Margaret Dobson - St Edmund's Catholic School
- ▶ Lauren Kelly - Springfield School
- ▶ Amanda Bushell - Stamshaw Junior School
- ▶ Debby Couzens - The Harbour School
- ▶ Rachel Grey - The Portsmouth Academy

Shortlisted nominations

Charlotte Kilshaw

City of Portsmouth College

Charlotte has supported young people and adults to improve their English skills at the college for over a decade. Qualifications are vital for improving an individual's job and life prospects. During the pandemic, there was a huge challenge to oversee the centre and assess grades for more than 440 GCSE students. Charlotte was amazing, undertaking a truly mammoth review. The results were phenomenal with GCSE results 7% above the national average, and a level 2 functional skills pass rate of almost 71%, 10% above the national average. In addition to managing a team of nine, supporting 700+ students and implementing the centre assessed grades, Charlotte was a volunteer marshal at the St James' Vaccine Hub. Every Thursday evening, Charlotte directed people through the vaccination process with the busiest day seeing 1,300 visitors.

Her dedication to not only her students, but the community of Portsmouth is outstanding.

Steve Bayliss

Meon Junior School

Steve has worked at the school for 30 years but officially retired three years ago. He has come out of retirement every year since to help the school out and teach where needed. Children know him as a funny, exciting, and cheerful teacher who always makes learning fun. Steve is known for leading students on trips and residentials and dressing up in a wide array of costumes on world book day each year. He is empowering to the children as he makes them believe in themselves and helps them unlock their potential both academically and socially. This is an outstanding achievement. A special moment was when Steve spent the first part of the Christmas holiday when school was closed, driving around and delivering each child a Christmas present. He is the kindest, most thoughtful, caring gentleman who has inspired generations of teachers in Portsmouth.

Katie Holness

Admiral Lord Nelson School

Katie has been an integral part of the school since the start of her teaching career in 1996. Katie is incredibly hard-working and dedicated to our children and their families. She has strong links with all of our partner primary schools across Portsmouth, having led our successful transition into year 7 programme for the past 8 years and prides herself on meeting and ascertaining the needs of every child (and their family) in the school.

Katie gives her expertise beyond school and is a well-established member of the inclusion support panel, offering high challenge with high support to her peers; she is also the secondary school representative on the PEP children's emotional health and wellbeing group who have benefitted from her insight. She is absolutely incredible and thoroughly deserves this award!

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