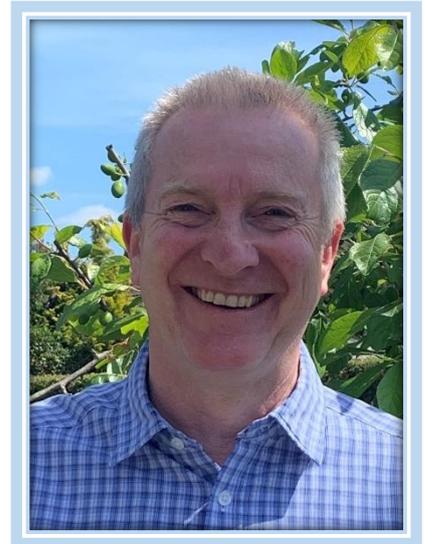


Dear 7M (Mapperton)

I am delighted to be welcoming you to Beaminster School and to Mapperton House. My name is Mr Smith and I will be your form tutor. I had a very special bond and relationship with my last tutor group who have just left after five years together I am really looking forward to getting to know all of you



This has been a very odd couple of years but hopefully things will start to calm down now and will be a great time to start a new school. You may well be a bit nervous about it but you'll soon get used to the place and in no time at all you will feel settled in, I'm sure. To help with that, here's a bit about me so that it's not too much of a shock.

I've been teaching at Beaminster School for five years, but before that I taught at a number of schools, both Primary and Secondary, in an around Yeovil. All of my schools have been great places, but I have to say that I think Beaminster School is a very special place. It's big enough to feel like a completely new environment but small enough that you get to know a wide range of people, both staff and pupils. I am lucky to teach every pupil in KS3 so by now I know every student in the school. We have a beautiful site and our tutor room will be in the Music block which was built only a few years ago.

I grew up mainly in Bournemouth, went to university in Oxford and then moved to Somerset, where I still live (only just over the border with Dorset). I have been teaching for over 30 years and now teach the children of some of the students I have taught in the past! I currently only teach music, but I also used to teach Drama and PE as well as having been a tutor in every school I've worked in.

I have a wife and two children, both of whom are a bit older than you. One is already at University and the other will be going this year. I also have a dog called Mickey who always wants a walk so I normally get plenty of exercise. I am mad about anything to do with Wales (especially the rugby team), AFC Bournemouth football club and being out in the open air. I'm lucky enough to have travelled quite a bit and have visited loads of different countries- just not recently.

We'll meet together every morning for tutor time, when we will take the register, make sure we are all organised for the day and sort out any problems or worries you have. We will also have Assemblies during this time before starting the normal lessons, which run on a two-week timetable. You will know where to find me most of the time if there is an issue because I never seem to leave the music room!

I'm really looking forward to meeting you all, getting to know you and working with you during your time at Beaminster School- you will be the "Class of 26"! In the meantime, should you need to contact me, my email is [ASmith2@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:ASmith2@beaminster.dorset.sch.uk)

Have a great summer, be safe and I'll see you in September

Mr Smith