Our Inclusion Team

Rachael Stolz

Inclusion Manager and SENCo



Rachael has ten years' experience working as a SENCO in a wide range of schools across North and West Northamptonshire. She has two grown up sons with additional needs, giving her a personal interest in and commitment to inclusive practice. Initially joining Hayfield Cross in 2020 as maternity cover, Rachael stayed on as job share with the previous Inclusion Manager and in September 2023, she took over the full role of Inclusion Manager and SENCO. In her free time, Rachael enjoys hiking, yoga, Zumba and outdoor swimming.

Kate Jones Pastoral Lead, Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Kate has worked at Hayfield Cross since 2022 but previously worked at a local junior school for 8 years covering Safeguarding, Pastoral Support, Attendance and running School Clubs. Kate has 2 adult children who are both at university and she has a passion for riding her horses.

Kay Kirk

TA and Pastoral Support Assistant



I work as a teaching assistant in the mornings and spend my afternoons supporting children in KS2 with their emotional well-being through check ins and intervention work. I love my job and I believe supporting your children with their well-being is just as important as their education at Hayfield Cross.

Laura Hitchcock

Social and Emotional Nurture Groups



Having spent 7.5 years as a Primary School Teacher, I left education to be a stay-at-home mum to my two busy boys. Once they were in nursery, I found a job as a HLTA in alternative provision for students with medical needs. I worked there for 5 years but missed the happy hustle and bustle of primary schools and recently joined Hayfield Cross. As a busy mum of two I find my free time is mostly spent on the sidelines of a football pitch cheering the teams on. The way to my heart is always through chocolate and silly jokes!