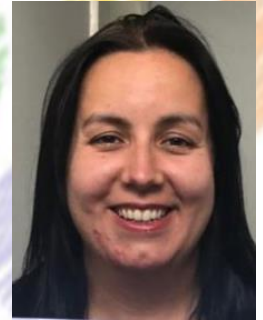


All about me

Name: Mrs Symes

Introduction: Although I'm in my 10th year of teaching I've only been at Hillside High since January when my family and I decided to move to the Wirral to be close to the sea. I love nothing better than sitting on a bench looking out across the Mersey reading a good book or walking my three very energetic dogs on the beach. Being born in Birmingham I am also a huge Aston Villa fan (probably not wise to mention when working in Liverpool) and enjoy going to watch them play as much as possible.



School life so far

What do you enjoy?

I love the friendly, family atmosphere that you feel when becoming part of the Hillside team.

What do you struggle with?

At first it was difficult finding my way around the school as it is a bit of a maze. However, everybody is so friendly and happy to help that you soon learn where you need to be.

Your subject

What subject do you teach?

I teach English

What do you enjoy most about your subject?

The thing I enjoy the most is seeing my students interact with the wonderful and diverse texts we study. I love it when they see the connection between what they are learning and their lives.

Hobbies

Travelling, currently enjoying discovering new parts of America and have just started to plan a trip to do Route 66.

Attempting to play my guitar and ukulele badly

Seeing live music, last year I got to fulfil a childhood dream of seeing the Spice Girls

As well as reading, following the football, finding new walks with the dogs and going to the theatre.

Favourite things

TV programme – I love comedies like Gavin and Stacey and a good police drama like Line of Duty.

Food – Burgers, I travelled all the way to Memphis to try a burger because I was told it was Elvis Presley's favourite.

Film – There are far too many to mention but most recent one is probably The Joker.