



**Ad Astra Infant School**  
Sherborn Crescent  
Poole, Dorset  
BH17 8AP  
Tel: 01202 602113  
Email: aaisoffice@teachpoole.com

**Haymoor Junior School**  
Ashdown Close  
Poole, Dorset  
BH17 8WG  
Tel: 01202 659290  
Email: hjsoffice@teachpoole.com



CEO : Mrs Kate Carter BA (Hons) PGCE NPQH  
Ad Astra Infant School Headteacher: Mrs Clare Tantrum BSc (Hons) PGCE  
Haymoor Junior School Headteacher: Miss Lucy Waterhouse BA (Hons) PGCE

TEACH Trust Poole

Trust Excellence Aspiration Collaboration Honesty

Article 28: Children have a right to a primary education.

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Penguins - SCITT Trainee

We are pleased to be welcoming a trainee teacher, Mrs Preston, to the Year 1 team. Mrs Preston will be working with Penguins for a period of 13 weeks, with her placement beginning next week (Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March). Mrs Preston is currently training with Poole SCITT (School Centred Initial Teacher Training), the teacher training organisation which is part of TEACH Poole and is based here at Ad Astra. Poole SCITT are renowned for their high-quality teacher training and a number of teachers currently employed at our school previously trained with them.

Mrs Preston is very much looking forward to working alongside the teaching staff and children in our school to gain further practical classroom experience. We feel the children will benefit from the experience of another adult in the classroom, who will come to us with their own fresh and exciting ideas. No doubt, you will hear all about them from your children!

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to ask me.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Watt  
SCITT Mentor

