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WELCOME TO THE STEM FACULTY

PARENT GUIDE 2026–27





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A WARM WELCOME



Mr Malik

**HEAD OF FACULTY:
STEM & INNOVATION**



Dear Parents,

It is both a privilege and an honour to lead one of the school's most important and exciting faculties. We recognise how deeply parents value Science, Mathematics, and Design & Technology, not only for the opportunities these subjects create, but also for the curiosity, creativity and confidence they inspire in young people.

Our vision is to build a coherent, mastery-driven and innovation-rich STEM Faculty from Year 4 to Year 13, where curriculum, teaching and data work together as one connected system. We want every pupil to develop secure knowledge, think critically, solve problems creatively and apply their learning with confidence.

This vision is built upon the principle:

Non scholae, sed vitae discimus
"We do not learn for school, but for life."

This principle captures what STEM education should be. Our pupils are not simply learning to pass examinations; they are developing the knowledge, skills and habits of mind needed to understand the world, improve it and contribute meaningfully to its future. Our ambition is to inspire curiosity, nurture creativity and pursue excellence at every stage of each pupil's journey.

I look forward to working closely with our pupils, parents and exceptional team of teachers as we continue to raise standards and create an inspiring STEM education from Year 4 to Year 13, one that prepares every pupil not only for examinations, but for life.



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Mr Malik — Head of Faculty: STEM & Innovation

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Mr Malik graduated from University College London (UCL) with a degree in Biomedical Sciences before completing a PGCE and a Master's in Education Management at King's College London. He has also completed the NPQSL and a Certificate in School Management from Harvard University. Now in his ninth year at Sherborne and his sixteenth year of teaching, he enjoys helping pupils achieve their potential and particularly values supporting pupils through the Medical Club. Outside school, he is a proud father of three and an avid Manchester United fan.

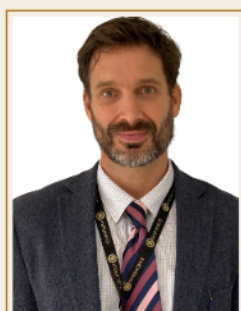


Mrs Sultana

Head of Sixth Form

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Mrs Sultana graduated from the University of Birmingham with a 2:1 degree in Biochemistry and has twenty-one years of teaching experience. As Head of Sixth Form, she is passionate about supporting pupils academically and preparing them for life beyond school. Outside school, she enjoys running in the desert. One of her most memorable childhood experiences was meeting Nelson Mandela while she was at primary school.



Mr Brown

Science Teacher

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Mr Brown graduated from the University of Bath, where he studied Natural Sciences, specialising in Physics. After working in the police for two years, he completed a PGCE. He then taught in UK boarding schools for nineteen years before joining Sherborne School Qatar. He moved to Qatar with his wife and two daughters, who attend Sherborne Prep. He enjoys sport and is keen to contribute to the school's football programme.

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Mr Asif

Science Teacher

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Mr Asif graduated from the University of Manchester with undergraduate and Master's degrees in Civil Engineering. Before becoming a teacher, he worked on the Manchester Metrolink project and contributed to the design of several stations. He is entering his ninth year at Sherborne School Qatar and his thirteenth year of teaching. He enjoys using his industry experience to bring engineering and mathematics to life for his pupils.

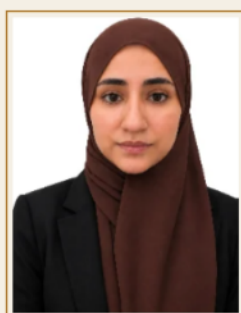


Mr Abbasi

Head of Upper Sixth

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Mr Abbasi graduated with First Class Honours in Biochemistry and is now in his fifth year at Sherborne Senior School, having previously taught in London. He is in his twelfth year of teaching and particularly enjoys helping pupils develop confidence and enthusiasm for chemistry. Outside the classroom, he enjoys football, padel and the gym. Most of his time, however, is happily spent with his family. With two young children at home, he is not sure that 'relaxing' is a word they use very often!



Ms Akhondzada

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Ms Akhondzada studied Biomedical Sciences at King's College London before completing her PGCE at University College London. She has ten years of teaching experience, including the last two years at Sherborne School Qatar. She enjoys supporting pupils as they develop their confidence and work towards fulfilling their potential.

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Ms Hussain

Science Teacher

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After graduating and working in the pharmaceutical industry, Ms Hussain completed her PGCE in Chemistry at the UCL Institute of Education in 2017. She began her teaching career in London, where she taught for five years before moving to Qatar. She is now entering her tenth year of teaching overall and her fifth year at Sherborne Senior School, where she shares her passion for science and learning every day. Beyond the classroom, she enjoys travelling, visiting new cafés and the occasional shopping spree.



Ms Adde

Science Teacher

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Ms Adde graduated from Royal Holloway, University of London, with a degree in Biology and completed her PGCE at the UCL Institute of Education. She is now in her fifth year at Sherborne School Qatar and her eighth year of teaching. She values being part of the Sherborne community and helping pupils develop, succeed and reach their full potential.



Mr Djehiche

Science Teacher

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Mr Djehiche holds a 2:1 Honours degree in Biomedical Science, a PGDE and a Master's in Educational Leadership from Bath Spa University. Before joining Sherborne Qatar, he taught in London for four years and served as Deputy Head of Science. Now in his second year at Sherborne, he enjoys contributing to school life beyond the classroom. He is also a keen badminton player and a committed bodybuilder.

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Ms Mohamed

Science Teacher

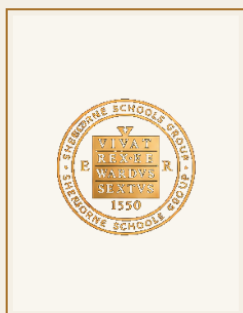
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Ms Mohamed is a passionate science teacher with a specialism in chemistry. She holds a 2:1 BSc in Chemistry and a PGCE in Secondary Science. She is now in her second year at Sherborne and enjoys making science engaging while supporting pupils to reach their potential. Outside school, she enjoys painting and travelling. Her artwork was displayed at Sheffield's Millennium Gallery when she was seventeen. She has visited sixteen countries and hopes to discover many more, insha'Allah!



Mrs Sunifar

Science Technician



Mrs Taha

Lead Science Technician

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Mr Hazari — Deputy Head of Faculty

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As a pupil, Mr Hazari achieved A*s in both GCSE and A-level Mathematics, beginning a lifelong affinity for the subject. He then studied for a BSc in Economics at the London School of Economics and began his career in finance before moving into teaching. This experience continues to shape how he connects classroom learning to the real world. Since entering the teaching profession, Mr Hazari has built his career at one of the UK's leading schools, where he helped to deliver record-breaking results. He brings the same rigour and ambition to every pupil he teaches, drawing upon both his academic background and industry experience to help them succeed in Mathematics and STEM.



Mr Muktadeer

Mathematics Teacher

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Mr Muktadeer graduated from University College London (UCL) with a 2:1 degree in Engineering with Business Finance. He subsequently completed his PGCE at London Metropolitan University. He is now in his fourth year at Sherborne School Qatar and his fifteenth year as a teacher. Outside school, he is a father of three wonderful children and enjoys building models.



Mrs Mansur

Mathematics Teacher

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Mrs Mansur is a graduate in what she believes is the best subject: Mathematics. She is now in her fourth year at Sherborne School Qatar and her ninth year of teaching. She enjoys helping pupils realise that they can achieve more than they may have expected, building their confidence and encouraging them to think in curious and logical ways. She believes in encouraging pupils to aim high, dream big and take pride in their achievements. Outside school, Mrs Mansur enjoys baking, supporting Liverpool FC and playing netball.

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Mr Thompson

Head of Lower Sixth Form

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Mr Thompson graduated from the University of Kent with a 2:1 degree in Accounting and Finance and began his teaching career in 2014. He has extensive experience teaching Mathematics across Key Stage 3, IGCSE and A level, alongside a strong background in pastoral and academic leadership. He has held several leadership positions, including Second in Charge of Mathematics and Head of Year across several secondary year groups. He is currently Head of Lower Sixth Form (Year 12) and has also completed the National Professional Qualification for Senior Leadership (NPQSL). Mr Thompson is passionate about helping pupils achieve their academic potential while developing the confidence, independence and resilience they need to succeed beyond the classroom. Outside school, he enjoys spending time with his family and is a passionate Arsenal supporter.



Mr Rashid

Mathematics Teacher

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Mr Rashid graduated from Queen Mary University of London with a 2:1 degree in Mathematics before completing his PGCE and beginning his teaching career. He has now been teaching Mathematics for eleven years, including three years at Sherborne School Qatar. Throughout his career, he has undertaken a variety of roles, including Head of Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5. These positions have given him opportunities to support pupils and colleagues in different ways. What Mr Rashid enjoys most about teaching Mathematics is seeing pupils develop confidence in a subject that can sometimes feel challenging and helping them understand how Mathematics can be used to model and make sense of real-life situations. He particularly enjoys making these connections and showing pupils that Mathematics is much more than numbers and equations. Outside school, he enjoys painting and drawing, which allow him to be creative. He also stays active through cricket and padel.



Mrs Benotman

Head of House

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Mrs Benotman is a British-qualified Mathematics teacher with a PGCE in Mathematics and a Master's degree in Accounting and Finance. She is currently in her fifth year of teaching and enjoys being part of the Sherborne community, supporting pupils as they build confidence, develop their mathematical skills and achieve their potential. She has also completed a leadership qualification and remains committed to continually developing herself both professionally and personally. Outside school, Mrs Benotman enjoys spending time with her family, travelling, exploring new cultures and supporting FC Barcelona.

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Mr Leonard

Design & Technology Teacher

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Mr Leonard graduated from the University of Limerick with a Bachelor of Education in Engineering, achieving First-Class Honours. He has been teaching Design and Technology for 15 years and is now in his fourth year at Sherborne School Qatar. He is passionate about creating engaging, practical learning experiences that allow pupils to develop their creativity and technical skills. Outside school, Mr Leonard enjoys running and has participated in numerous half-marathons and marathons.



Ms Hinds

Head of Year 9

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Ms Hinds graduated from St Mary's University College, a college of Queen's University Belfast, in 2021 with a Bachelor of Education in Technology and Design with Computing and ICT, achieving a 2:1 classification. She has been a Design and Technology teacher at Sherborne School Qatar for the past three years and has six years of teaching experience in Qatar. She is passionate about inspiring a love of STEM in pupils and encouraging them to develop their creativity, problem-solving skills and confidence. Outside school, Ms Hinds enjoys travelling and exploring new places whenever she has the opportunity.



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