



### **Hilary Priest - Headteacher**

Hilary was born in Manchester but grew up in Ilford, Essex. Her first degree was in Spanish and Latin American studies at Portsmouth and she followed this with a PGCE from Lancaster University based in Ambleside. Hilary has taught all age groups within Primary and taught at schools in Lancaster, Warrington, Somerset and Cheshire. Hilary's first Headship was in Rochdale where she was recognised for being the youngest Head Rochdale had ever had. Hilary moved to The Grove School in January 2008 and has loved working here ever since. The school has changed in lots of ways including the massive building project which Hilary was involved in, in many ways. The Grove School still maintains its unique respect-based character and caring ethos. She has a Master's degree in Educational Research from the Open University and a NPQH. Hilary and her husband have two children and a dog! Hilary loves anything to be active with her family who are often seen running, biking, walking, playing tennis, swimming etc!