



I'm **Mrs. Barraclough**, **Head of English Faculty** at George Pindar School.

I love reading – my favourite book is A History of the World in 10½ Chapters and spending time with my two children.

On the English section of the website there are some bits and bobs that you can get a head-start on what we will be studying next year, you will start with Greek Myths and Ancient Tales. You can send your answers to the riddles below and anything else you want to share with me to: r.barraclough@gps.hlt.academy.

We can't wait to meet you all!

Riddle 1:

First think of the person who lives in disguise, who deals in secrets and tells naught but lies.

Next, tell me what's always the last thing to mend, the middle of the middle and end of the end?

And finally, give me the sound often heard during the search for a hard-to-find word.

What am 12

Hope you all have a lovely summer and can't wait to meet you all in person soon! - Mrs. Barraclough





Hello, I'm Ms Pickles and I'm Second in English Faculty.

I really love spending time with my two children, Alfie and Emilie. I also love writing and self- publishing children's books. I have written Alfie the Alligator and Nellie the Narwhal so far.

I can not wait to meet you all and help you find (or expand) your love of English and reading during your English lessons.

Riddle 2:

What five-letter word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it?





Hi Year 6 and welcome to George Pindar School.

My name is **Mr Gadd** and as well as being lucky enough to be part of the amazing English department, I am also the **Head of Year 11**. My favourite book is Catch 22. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Riddle 3:

Voiceless it cries, Wingless flutters, Toothless bites, Mouthless mutters.

Hello, I'm **Mrs Swift** and I like walking. live music, theatre and reading. My favourite author at the moment is Frederik Backman but I am always changing my mind. My favourite children's book is Millions by Frank Cottrell-Boyce.

I live in Scarborough and have lots of pets: 3 cats, 11 chickens, 9 ducks and a selection of both tropical and cold water fish. I look forward to meeting you all in September!

Riddle 4:

For each of the following four words, come up with another English word that uses all THE SAME letters but in a different order. The four words you come up with will rhyme with one another.

ONSET

NEWS

WRONG

HORNET



My name's **Ms Tunnard**. I'm the **SENCo** here at George Pindar, but I also get to teach English - which I love.

I am a huge fan of Shakespeare, and enjoy exploring his plays through drama. One of my favourite things to do is visit the theatre, and I'm looking forward to my first visit soon. I have lots of books and spend a lot of time reading. In my free time I paint and enjoy long walks in the countryside.

Riddle 5:

I'm light as a feather, yet the strongest person can't hold me for five minutes. What am I?





Hello everyone, I'm **Mr Byrne** an **English teacher** here at George Pindar School.

I enjoy cups of tea and listening to people read.

I am really excited to see you all in September and here's my riddle for you:

Riddle 6:

The more you take, the more you leave behind. What am I?

Hello I'm Miss Farnill and I am an English teacher at GPS.

I love my cats (Otis and Dusty), reading and exploring. I was new to the school in September 2020 so I understand how excited and nervous you must be, and I can't wait to get to know you in your first few weeks at George Pindar!

<u>Riddle 7</u>: It belongs to you, but your friends use it more. What is it?





Hi I'm **Miss Fox**. Il have worked at George Pindar School for 7 years.

I work as the Thinking Reading Coordinator.

I love to listen to all sorts of music and relaxing with a good film. My favourite collections to read are Philip Pullman's, Northern Lights, and J.K Rowling's Harry Potters. I'm looking forward to meeting you all in September.

Riddle 8:

A rooster is sitting on top of a barn. If it laid an egg, which way would it roll?





Hi team, I'm **Miss Matson** and work as the school's **librarian**. I sometimes teach English too.

I am very passionate about books so come to me if you don't know what to read next. My favourite books are Dracula, Frankenstein and Wuthering Heights.

Riddle 9:

Alive as you but without breath; As cold in my life as in my death; Never a thirst though I always drink, Dressed in a mail but never a clink.



Hi, I'm **Miss Dolphin** and I am the **Director of English** for Hope Learning Trust.

I work with the English teachers at GPS at least one day per week so you will see me around school and in some of your lessons.

I love books so I'm really looking forward to meeting you in September and finding out what you've been reading over the holidays.

Riddle 10:

10. What is needed for both courage and hardback books?

You can use this section to record your answers to the riddles

Riddle 1: Riddle 6:

Riddle 2: Riddle 7:

Riddle 3: Riddle 8:

Riddle 4: Riddle 9:

Riddle 5: Riddle 10:

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