

The Hardy Centre

Hardy Centre Manager: Clancy Stephens



Hi my name is Clancy Stephens

I work in the Hardy Centre, which is a place in the school that I hope you will visit. We offer support to young people, staff and parents, looking at resolving blocks to learning and supporting you being the successful pupil you wish to be. We also support young people around safeguarding, and we build really positive relationships with young people. I have been at GTS for 5 years now and I love the friendly atmosphere and fun we have at our school.

I am in RESOLUTION but I work across all the houses. You may even see me at your school during Transition. I look forward to meeting you properly soon.

Clancy

Safeguarding Officer: Dave Atkinson



Hi Guys,

I'm Mr Atkinson (Dave) and I'm the safeguarding officer and designated safeguarding lead for the school. My main role is to keep you safe both in and out of school. I don't have a teaching role and work in the Hardy Centre with Clancy. Because we don't teach we're normally really easy to find if you need to talk to us. Like Clancy, my background isn't in education. I was a police officer for 30 years before I started at GTS, nearly 4 years ago. During your time at GTS you're going to go through a massive amount of development, learn loads of new things and make lots of new friends. Sometimes along that journey you'll make mistakes or maybe put yourself at risk. My job is to try and stop you making those mistakes in the first place or try and put things right if you've messed up a bit. One of the common things that I get involved with quite a bit is risky online behaviours. To help me I really need you and your parents to make sure you have the correct privacy settings on your devices and for you to really think carefully before you post anything. To try and make sure you stay safe, both online and in the real world, I work closely with your parents and if need be external agencies to ensure you have the support you need so that you can focus on enjoying school and getting a good education.