

Meet the Library Team



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The library team at Penistone Grammar School is overseen by our Reading & Academic Vocabulary Leads, **Lisa Wilson** and **Isobel Marrow**. Literacy is embedded throughout the curriculum and forms a central part of the PGS ethos. The library is the hub for promoting and improving reading and literacy skills.



Hannah Barraclough

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Reading & Learning Resource Development Managers

Hello! I'm **Mrs Barraclough** and I'm in charge of the library here at Penistone Grammar School. I have to keep pinching myself because not only does this role combine my love of books, writing and literature, but it also allows me to share my passion with our school and wider community. I've always been involved with books and writing, from working in academic publishing and libraries, to running writing workshops for young

people. I've had my own short stories and scripts published and I've performed at numerous spoken word events. When you join our school I look forward to welcoming you to the library and finding out exactly what the library can offer. From the latest book releases to creative writing classes, home learning guidance to academic research, Mrs McDermott and I will be here to help and assist you. The PGS library is a welcoming space for everyone to learn more about the world and themselves, and we can't wait to open the doors and let you in!

Hi! I'm **Mrs McDermott** and I work two days a week in the library alongside Mrs Barraclough, organising exciting events and opportunities for all our students. I used to teach French and Spanish but when my children were small, I started to develop my love of writing. Since then, I've published two children's books and have just finished my latest one – Captain Tuna and the Nostrils of Doom! I have been passionate about reading ever since meeting Roald Dahl at Infant School and I love my love of books with everyone at PGS. The best thing about books for me, is their ability to transport you to other worlds. What could be more thrilling! I can usually be found with my nose in the latest middle grade or young adult novel and I'm always eager to find out what our students like to read. (I'm currently reading *The Boy I Am* – a young adult debut novel by K. L. Kettle and it's brilliant!) As Stephen King once said, 'Books are a uniquely portable magic' and I love sprinkling some of that magic across PGS!