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Senior Leadership Team

Mr. Jeremy Singer
Principal
BA (Hons) in International Studies (Staffordshire University), MSc (Econ) University College Aberystwyth, Wales, PGCE Leicester. He is also a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts in the UK. Jerry Singer has spent 22 years in international education following spells in government service and small business. Jerry began his career in education in the United Kingdom in one of the first state schools to offer the IB Diploma Programme. Since then his career and leadership experience in international schools has taken him to three continents and five countries including Thailand, Mexico, Austria, and latterly, to St. Dominic’s International School, Portugal, where he was School Principal. All of these schools were IB World Schools. He has also collaborated with the IBO and with the Council of International Schools (CIS) on accreditation and authorisation and is currently studying for a Doctorate in Education.

Mr. Barry Hughes
Head of Secondary School
BSc in Biochemistry (Liverpool University) PGCE in Biology, Chemistry and General Science (Swansea University, UK). Began teaching in 1983 in the UK where he was Head of Year and Teacher in Charge of Careers.

Joined ICS in 1989 as a Science Teacher and was Head of the Science Department, Upper School Co-ordinator and Assistant Head of Secondary School. Teacher of Biology, Chemistry and TOK.

Mr. Paul Saich
Head of Primary School
BA (Hons) Degree in History and Sports Studies (London), Post Graduate Certificate in Education (Cambridge) and Masters Degree in Business Administration (OU Business School). Worked at primary schools as a class teacher for all ages, with first headship in Cornwall in 1995. Headteacher of a British Forces primary school in Germany, a School Improvement Adviser and Local Authority Adviser for MFL and Maths for the London Borough of Southwark and he became London’s Primary Languages Consultant, working for CILT, the National Centre for Languages. Head of Education Services for a UK languages training and development consultancy.

Joined ICS in January 2012 and is a qualified sports coach and Justice of the Peace (Magistrate), in the UK.

Dr. Jennifer Ann Barnett
Director of Learning
Educational Doctorate in Didactics of Languages and Literature (Universidad Complutense). M.A. in Spanish Literature. Has taught for 15 years in both public and private schools in the USA and Spain.

Worked with Harvard University on Teaching for Understanding and Multiple Intelligences. At ICS she teaches Grade 5 Language, Grade 6 MYP skills and is PYP and MYP coordinator.

Ms. Raquel Pariente Pastor
Business Manager
MSc Degree in Economics and Business Administration (University of Alcala de Henares, Spain). CAP Masters Degree in Teaching.

Before joining ICS Raquel was the European Financial Director for a Dutch company. Previously she worked as a Financial and Administrative Director in both Spain and Portugal.
Senior Leadership Team

Ms. Aurora López Martín  
Admissions Manager  
BA (Hons) in English and Spanish Literature (University of London). Worked in real estate in London and Marbella.  
Formerly PA to CEO of Ferrari in Spain. Lived in France for 4 years before joining ICS in 1998.

Mr. Ramin Djalali Soufi  
Estate Manager  
Studied Economics and Persian Literature (Azad University).  
Founded his own company in 1998. Later worked in administration and accounting in various companies in Iran and Spain.

Ms. Sharon Spencer  
Marketing and Events Manager  
Studied Marketing Management (Institute of Management/Staffordshire University), Post Graduate Diploma for Bilingual Secretaries (Spanish/English). Worked in various sectors in the UK for 12 years as a Marketing, PR and Events Manager before joining ICS in 2001.

Ms. Loussik Roumian Álvarez  
Information Systems Manager  
Degree in Law from Universidad Autónoma de Madrid. Has experience in a variety of sectors, especially in education, where she has held diverse administrative positions within ICS and other Associations. She was responsible for setting up the various intranet systems which have been in place at the school and is a consultant for the Engage system currently used at ICS. In charge of all information systems and data.

Ms. Jayne Roumian-Booker  
Budget and HR Manager  
Studied French in the Chamber of Commerce, Brussels and bi-lingual secretarial studies in Paris. A qualified TEFL teacher she worked for 4 years as an English teacher in Madrid. Worked as PA to CEO in a Spanish textile company then ran her own fashion business for 12 years.

Mary Florez  
Administrative Assistant  
Management and Business degree (University of Technology Sydney). Mary worked in Sydney for 10 years in banking and then onto an anti-money laundering agency of the Attorney-General’s Department. She then moved to Spain in 2006 and managed a Spanish subsidiary of an American company before joining ICS in October 2014.

Ms. Victoria Hall  
Reception Manager  
BA (Hons) in French and Spanish (University of North London). She worked as a financial translator for Price Waterhouse, as well as an equity research translator and editor for various investment banks. She also worked in external communications at Vodafone Spain.

Mr. Juan B. García Hilos  
Chief Accountant  

Mr. José Manuel Mata  
ICT Technical Support Manager  
Studied IT Systems and Networks Administration. Has worked in various multi-national companies as Network and Systems Administrator before joining ICS.
Administration

Ms. Silvia Rodríguez Mejía  
PA to Principal/Admissions Assistant
Trained in secretarial/administrative skills. Has worked in several multi-national companies in the USA and Spain as an administrative assistant and senior secretary.

Ms. Silvia Sánchez Negro  
Accounts Assistant
Trained in Accounting Systems and has held various posts in a variety of sectors including roles such as web page content management, administration and accounting and more recently as an Administrative Secretary.

Ms. Liz Salmon  
PA to the Head of Secondary and Registrar
Trained in secretarial/computer skills. Has worked in various administrative positions, mainly at a large Telecommunications Company in the UK, she also has experience on Reception and in the Retail Industry.

Ms. Liliana Ugarelli  
PA to Head of Primary
BA in International Business (E.W. Middendorf College). Degree in German Language, Deutsche Sprachdiplom, Zweite Stufe. Has worked in BASF and had several administrative positions in banking systems. Lived in Maryland and Lima before joining ICS.

Student Services

Ms. Clara Benacerraf  
ICS School Counsellor
MA in Special Education and Counselling (University of Haifa). Graduated in Philosophy and Educational Psychology (Complutense University). Worked as Special Needs Teacher in Israel, Uruguay and Madrid, as a Learning Centre Coordinator in Argentina and as a Counsellor in the USA and Uruguay.

Ms. Elena Martinez Dunn  
School Nurse
Diploma in Nursing (Salus Infirmorum, Madrid, University of Pontificia, Salamanca). Has worked in the University Hospital Gregorio Marañón, Madrid for ten years in the Accident and Emergency Department.

Ms. Pilar Ríos Pérez  
Activities Manager
Diploma in Spanish Dance (Real Conservatorio de Música y Danza de Madrid). Pilar worked for many years as a prima ballerina for the José Greco Dance Company doing world tours including several coast to coast US Tours. She also had her own dance company Pilar Serrano (Pasion de Espana).

Ms. Erika Toren  
Universities Counsellor (Outside Spain)
BA in Political Science and Spanish (Bowdoin College, Maine), MS in Educational Administration (University of Miami, Florida), TOEFL Degree and Florida State Teacher Certification. Has worked as an ESL teacher and as an Admissions Officer at various schools and universities in the USA. Student Council Staff Representative.
Primary School Co-ordinators

Ms. Denise Holmes
Class Teacher
PYP Coordinator, Upper Primary Coordinator and Deputy Head of Primary

Studied at North Worcestershire College of Education and has a Certificate in Education from Birmingham University. Taught in infant and junior schools in the UK and Spain. Teacher responsible for Arts & Crafts.

Ms. Laura Lacritz
Class Teacher
Lower Primary Coordinator and Deputy Head of Primary

MA and BA in Early Childhood Education (University of Texas). Teacher of Grade 1 and Grade Level Chairman in Texas for 6 years. Joined ICS in 1992.

Primary School Class teachers

Ms. Marta Abad
Head of Primary Spanish Department and Class Teacher

Degree in English Studies (University of Valencia), Postgraduate Course in Teaching Spanish as a Foreign Language (Instituto Cervantes & University of Valencia). Taught English as a Foreign Language in Spain for 3 years and Spanish in an English secondary school for 2 years.

Ms. Tracey Birchall
PYP Lower School Language Coordinator and Class Teacher

BA (Hons) in English and History (Liverpool University), PGCE in Primary Education (University of Lancaster) and RSA TEFL Certificate. Taught for 9 years in the UK and Spain before joining ICS.

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BA (Hons) in English and History (Liverpool University), PGCE in Primary Education (University of Lancaster) and RSA TEFL Certificate. Taught for 9 years in the UK and Spain before joining ICS.

Ms. Rosemary Cabeño
PYP Mathematics Coordinator and Class Teacher

Assistant to the Director of Learning

BA (Hons) degree from Greenwich University. With a background in management and research, Rosemary has taught for 18 years in Spain and the UK. She is currently pursuing an MA in Education with Oxford Brookes University.

Ms. Maria José Cole
Class Teacher

BA and MA (Hons) in Elementary Education (Arizona State and Northern Arizona Universities). Reading Specialist Certificate Kindergarten to Grade 8 and BLE/ESL Endorsement Kindergarten - Grade 12. Teaching since 1990 in the USA and Spain. Primary Language Coordinator for 8 years.

Ms. Nuala Cushnan
Class Teacher

BA Joint Honours Degree in French and Spanish (Queens University Belfast). PGCE University of Nottingham has taught in Madrid for 2 years before joining ICS.

Ms. Kate Joyce
Class Teacher

Bachelor of Education (University College Dublin) and PrimaryTeaching Diploma. Worked for many years in schools in Dublin as well as 2 years at Marymount International School in Rome. Has been PYP Coordinator and PSPE Coordinator at ICS.

Ms. Eva María González Valdivielso
Class Teacher

Teaching Degree in Primary and EFL (Universidad de Cantabria). Has taught in primary and secondary in England and Spain as well as various grades in New Zealand.
Primary School

Ms. Catriona Kennedy
PYP Science Coordinator and Class Teacher
BA in Irish, French and History plus a Higher Diploma in Education (St. Patrick’s College). TEFL Certificate (Leeson Institute of Education). MA in Primary Education and Montessori Certificate. Taught for 10 years in Ireland and Spain before joining ICS.

Ms. Doreen Moore Sedano
Class Teacher
BA (Hons) English, History and Politics (University of Huddersfield) PG Dip. Regional Planning (Coventry University) PG Dip Environmental Planning (Liverpool John Moores University) Elected Member of Royal Town Planning Institute, worked in Urban Planning and Regional Economic Development in UK.

Ms. Helen Moran
Class Teacher
R.S.A. Certificate in TEFL (Galway Cultural Institute, Ireland), has worked as a class tutor for 6 years in Primary, an academy in Madrid for 2 years and prepared children for Trinity exams. Taught for 8 years in Madrid before joining ICS.

Ms. Rhona Murphy
Class Teacher
BA (Hons) in Psychology and Higher Diploma in Business Studies (University College Dublin); TEFL Certificate (Blue Feather School of Languages, Dublin) and Degree in Primary Education, specialising in English Language (Camilo José Cela University, Madrid). Taught in Madrid for 8 years prior to ICS.

Ms. Shelli Ryan
Class Teacher

Ms. Nancy Rousset-Bert
Class Teacher
MA in English Language and Civilisations (University of Lyon, University of British Columbia). Taught French and English as a Foreign Language in Lyon, Tokyo, Vancouver and Bilbao for 7 years before joining ICS.

Ms. Maura Sarmentera Conway
Class Teacher
Degree in Teaching Early Years Foundation Stage (Universidad Complutense de Madrid). Worked at a Public School in Madrid for a year before joining ICS in January 2012.

Mr. Trevor Veale
Class Teacher
Degree in Political Science (Queen’s University Belfast) and PGCE in Primary Education (University of Cumbria). Taught for 2 years in Belfast before joining ICS.

Ms. Marjolein de Wit
Class Teacher
BA in Primary Education and Art & Culture. Has taught for 9 years in upper primary in the Netherlands and has worked as a Special Educational Needs Teacher. TEFL certificate in Madrid and has worked as an English teacher and trainer for one year in Madrid before joining ICS.
Primary School

Classroom Assistants

Ms. Rachida Chikhaoui
Studied Law for 2 years at University of Constantine (Algeria). Certificate in Arabic from Bourguiba Language School. Teacher of Arabic and French before joining ICS.

Mr. Luis Garcia Cargill
A graduate of ICS, Luis studied Tourism and Sports gaining the title of Tecnico Superior. Luis has worked in the ICS Summer School as Sports Teacher.

Ms. Gill de Heer
Cambridge Certificate in English Language Teaching, CELTA, Certificate in Business Administration, HND in Hotel and Catering Administration (UK). Worked as a Management Assistant for a multi-national company in Holland and Classroom Assistant in Activities at Montessori Primary School, Holland, before joining ICS.

Mr. Alejandro López Martin
Degree in Physical Education (Universidad Europea de Madrid). For the past four years has been a Coach for basketball and football teaching different age groups at ICS. Has been involved in many of the school’s sports activities including Sports Days, Student Led Conferences, Sport Activities and MISL International tournaments.

Ms. Rita Matoosian
Has worked in private primary schools for several years before joining ICS.

Ms. Asa Mytouei
Degree in Fashion Design (Iran). Professional Make-up and Public Relations course (Dubai). Was Manager of Christian Design in Dubai and established her own fashion house in Iran. Joined music band as percussionist and coordinated tours worldwide.

Ms. Jenny Riordan
Learning Support Assistant
Certificate in early years with the Open University and on-going studies towards a degree in the early years. Cambridge Certificate in English Language Teaching, (CELTA). Worked in the British Diplomatic Service in London and Peking and later, joined a centre for Spanish cultural studies, where she worked as administration officer. Joined ICS in 1999 where she has been primary librarian and special needs assistant.

Ms. Sally Saich
Bachelor of Humanities (Honours) Degree in Sports Studies and History (University of London). Postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies (University of Plymouth). Worked in the UK as the Manager of Health Promotion Services for Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Health Authority. Former Director of a UK based training and development consultancy. Qualified swimming teacher, basketball and athletics coach.
Primary School

PYP Support

Ms. Ros Delgado  
Part-Time Class Teacher  
Cert. Ed (University of Sussex) specialising in Mathematics and Primary Education. Since 1972 has taught in primary schools in the UK and Spain before joining ICS in 1991.

Ms. Amanda María Sanz Curry  
Spanish Teacher  
Degree in Teaching (Early Years Foundation Stage) at Universidad CES Don Bosco de Madrid. Second Speciality in Teaching a Foreign Language from La Salle, Madrid. Worked at a Public Kindergarten centre in Madrid for two years and in a Public School in Madrid for a year before joining ICS in October 2012.

Primary Music Department

Mr. Dairel Benemelis  
Primary Music Teacher  

Ms. Jenni Gebhardt  
Primary Music Teacher  
BA Hon in Childhood and Youth Studies and CERT.ED (OU), LTCL Flute Performers, LTCL Piano Teaching Fellowship from Trinity College London in Flute Performance (FTCL), Principal Flute for 11 years in the Performing Arts Orchestra in Pretoria, South Africa. Music Teacher at Northside International School, Gabarone, Botswana for 7 years. Director of Music for 11 years in the UK in Prep Schools.

Primary Dutch Department

Ms. Rianna Hijlkema  
Coordinator Primary Dutch programme  
BA in Primary Education (Stenden Hogeschool). Has taught for 5 years in several Dutch and international schools in The Netherlands, Paris and Shanghai before joining ICS.

Primary Library

Ms. Claire Falconer  
Primary Librarian  
Experienced in the Industrial Sector, and is qualified in quality control systems and stock control. Has worked for several British and Spanish companies and has lived in Spain for over 20 years.

IT Department

Ms. Isabelle Lane  
Teacher of IT Primary School  
Studied Mathematics applied to Social Sciences (University of Strasbourg). Has worked for many years as a tri-lingual, executive secretary for private international companies.
Primary Spanish Department

Ms. Rocio Gailán  
Teacher of Spanish

Teaching Degree in Primary Education and Specialist Diploma in History of Art and Expressive Arts (Universidad Complutense). Has taught Spanish in various schools and has run expressive arts workshops in the Madrid Costume Museum.

Ms. Patricia Pérez  
Teacher of Spanish

Teaching degree in Primary education and BA in Special Education (Universidad Complutense de Madrid). Taught in Madrid before joining ICS.

Ms. Ana López-Aranguren  
Teacher of Spanish

Degree in Primary Education (Complutense University). Has attended many courses on education and has worked in Spanish schools before joining ICS.

Ms. Patricia Suárez Cerro  
Teacher of Spanish

Degree in Primary Education (Complutense University) and titulo de tecnico superior from the Comunidad de Madrid. She has worked for 7 years in Spanish primary schools teaching Spanish and English before joining ICS.

ESL Department

Ms. Colleen Coberley  
Teacher of ESL and PSPE Coordinator

BA in English Language Education and Spanish (Northwest Nazarene College). Taught in several Primary and English as a Foreign Language schools in Madrid before joining ICS.

Ms. Nicola Minchin  
Teacher of ESL

RSA Certificate in TEFL (Graften Tuition Centre, Dublin) and Montessori Certificate (Spanish Montessori Association). Taught English to children and adults in both Ireland and Spain.

Ms. Josefin Mase  
Head of ESL Department and ESL Teacher

Foreign Language Teaching Degree (University, Lenguas Vivas, Bs As). Taught Grade 3 and Grade 7 in Argentina and was previously in India working as an ESL teacher and coordinator at the American School New Delhi.
Learning Support

Ms. Amélie Carvalho
Learning Support Teacher
BA English (Hons) and Hispanic Literature Minor (McGill University), MA Speech-Language Pathology (Indiana University Bloomington). Worked as a speech language pathologist in the USA and France.

Ms. Carmen Lilia Vivas
Learning Support Teacher and Teacher of Spanish
Major in Learning Disabilities and Behavioral Disorders (Venezuela). Masters in Bilingual International Education (Framingham State College) and TESOL Certificate (Scottish Qualifications Authority). Worked as Special Needs and ESL teacher.

Ms. Laura Parada
Head of Learning Support (whole School)
Studied Educational Psychology in Argentina and has a Masters in Language Disabilities. Taught Kindergarten and Infants and worked as a Special Needs teacher for 8 years in Argentina and the USA.

Physical Education

Jaden Adams
PE Teacher - Secondary
Studied at Northampton University for 3 years in Sports Performance and Coaching. Worked as a Learning Support Assistant for pupils with emotional and behavioural difficulties and then trained as a teacher through a graduate training programme. He is a qualified level 2 basketball coach and has been coaching for many years. Jaden also led a coaching holiday sports camp ‘Football Mania’ for youths (11-18) for football and basketball. Before joining ICS Jaden worked for a London state school.

Ms. Sara Moreno Moreno
Head of PE Department

Mr. Borja Clement
Head of Sports Teams

Mr. Jorge Ruiz
PE Teacher - Primary
Diploma in Physical Education from the UNED, Madrid. Multiple subject Teacher in a multi-age classroom in Huachacalla, Bolivia, as well as coordinated the refugee camp, their sports and activities for 126 refugee children in Danane, Ivory Coast. Soccer Coach Certificate from FEFS. Has coached different sport teams in all categories and taught Physical Education in Primary and Secondary at ICS since January 2001.

Mr. Gary Cook
Learning Support Teacher
MA in Evaluation and Treatment of Language Disorders (Universidad Complutense), UK Honours degrees in Psychology (Open University) and IT (University of Greenwich). Eighteen years of teaching experience including 12 working with learning difficulties. Currently studying Mathematical Thinking in Schools at the Open University.
Secondary School Co-ordinators

Ms. Sharon Curry Sanz  
Teacher of English/EFL  
Coordinator of Lower School  
MA in Spanish Language and Literature (Middlebury College), BA in Spanish with Education minor (Boston University). Taught English/EFL in Madrid for 20 years before joining ICS.

Ms. Anne McGregor  
History and Humanities Teacher  
Coordinator of Middle School  
BED in English and History (Edinburgh University), Cert. Ed in English and History (Edinburgh) Taught in Scotland and schools in the south of Spain for 12 years before joining ICS.

Mr. Richard Wescott  
CAS Supervisor and Teacher of English  
Coordinator of Upper School  
Diploma in Music (CCAT Cambridge) and CE (University of Exeter). Has worked as Head of Music in Cornwall and London before joining ICS.

Secondary School Class Teachers

Mathematics

Dr. Kuo Ming James Chou  
Teacher of Mathematics  
PhD in mathematics (Queen’s University), BEd (Hons Math) in the intermediate and senior division. Taught Mathematics in Canadian universities for 6 years, and in Canadian high schools for 2 years before joining ICS.

Dr. Isabel Guerra-Bobo  
Teacher of Mathematics  
MSc in Theoretical Physics (Complutense University), MSc in Philosophy and History of Science (London School of Economics), PhD in Philosophy of Physics and PGCE in Science Education (Complutense University). Did research at University of Washington, LSE and TUM Munich. Taught in Spain before joining ICS.

Mr. Paul Harrison  
Head of Mathematics Department  
BSc (Hons) in Mathematics (University of Leeds), PGCE in Mathematics and Science (University of Nottingham). Taught in UK for 5 years, Tanzania for 2 years and Madrid for 2 years before joining ICS.

Ms. Karen De Nys  
Teacher of Mathematics and Biology  
Master of Science: Engineering in Biotechnology (De Nayer Instituut Lessius), Teaching Certificate (TSM). Taught Mathematics (5 years) and Science (3 years) in Belgium and 4 years in Madrid before joining ICS. ICS Alumna.

Mr. Prashant Sorayan  
Teacher of Mathematics  
Careers Counsellor  
BSc (Hons) in Mathematics (JMI University), MA in Hispanic Literature (Delhi University), Masters in Translation (Complutense University), PGCE (University of Nottingham). Taught Mathematics in India, English as a Second Language in Spain.
English

Ms. Stawraula Chrysanthakopoulou
Teacher of English
BA in Language and Literature from the University of Birmingham UK, MA in Comparative Literature and Translation, the University of Warwick. Is currently studying towards the Graduate Diploma in Education, she taught in schools in Greece, China and Cyprus.

Lucy Grove
Teacher of English
BA (Hons) in English Language and Literature, Leeds University with PGCE Teaching certificate from Brighton University. Lucy worked in magazine publishing for 10 years before starting to teach. She taught English Language and Literature for 9 years at a state school in East Sussex, UK, before joining ICS in 2014.

Ms. Rahera Meinders
Teacher of English
Area of Interaction Team Leader
BA in English Literature and Te Reo Maori (Victoria University, Wellington) and GradDipT (Waikato University, Hamilton). Taught in New Zealand before relocating to Madrid.

Mr. Richard Pairaudeau
Head of English Department
BA in English Language and Literature and PGCE in English and History (Birmingham University); MSc in Applied Linguistics (Aston University); has taught English as a First and Second Language in the UK and Spain.

Secondary ESL Department

Ms. Aniela Arroyo
Teacher of ESL
B. Ed (Hons) in Foreign Language Teaching (University of Leeds). Has been teaching ESL in Madrid for more than 20 years.

Ms. Joni Costello
Teacher of ESL and English B
Area of Interaction Team Leader
MA in Hispanic Civilization and BSc (Hons) in Foreign Language Education (New York University). New York State Certified Teacher. Taught children and adults in the USA and Spain before joining ICS.

Ms. Jennifer Marsella
Teacher of ESL, English B and Humanities
Area of Interaction Team Leader
MA in Teaching ESL from Simmons College. Prior to studying language education, she graduated from Vanderbilt University with degrees in US History and Italian. Has been teaching ESL since 2001 to students of all ages.
Technology

Mr. David Bailey
Teacher of Computer Technology
Head of Technology
BSc (Hons) Computing Technology (Open University), PGCE Computing (University of Strathclyde). Worked in computing as a military weapons systems engineer and later commercially as a Microsoft Systems Engineer. Taught for 7 years in Moscow, Russia before joining ICS.

Mr. Jonathan Salmon
Teacher of Design and Technology
BA (Hons) in 3D Design, Wood, Metal, Plastics (Wolverhampton Polytechnic), PGCE in Design Technology (Leeds Metropolitan University). Worked as a teacher in UK for 15 years before joining ICS and also worked as an Architectural Stonemason.

Humanities

Mr. Corey Bike
Teacher of History and Economics
BA in Humanities (Providence College, Providence RI), MA in Political Science (Vanderbilt University). Has taught History for 5 years prior to joining ICS.

Kate Dickson
Teacher of Geography
BA (Hons) Degree in Geography and BA Degree in Human Resource Management (University of Strathclyde, Scotland). Post Graduate Teaching Diploma (University of Glasgow). Taught Geography, History and Modern Studies (Politics) in Scotland for 2 years before joining ICS.

Mr. David Holmes
Head of Humanities

Mr. Jeroen Kuipers
Head of Geography
Degree in Geography and English as a Foreign Language (Utrecht). Taught Geography, Environmental Studies and GNVQ Leisure and Tourism in the UK for 6 years before joining ICS.

Ms. Dolores Morales
Teacher of Spanish Sociales
Technical Director
Degree in History and Geography and a Teaching Certificate from Salamanca University. Studied towards a Doctorate in Social Sciences. Taught Spanish in the UK and the Canary Islands.

Mr. Shaun Riordan
Head of Economics and TOK
MA(Hons) in Philosophy (Cambridge University). Senior Visiting Fellow of the Netherlands Institute for International Relations (“Clingendael”). Former Visiting Fellow of London School of Economics (LSE). After 16 years in the British Diplomatic Service, including postings to New York, Beijing and Madrid, has worked as a consultant on business diplomacy and geopolitical risk analysis. Author of the “New Diplomacy” and “Adios a la Diplomacia”.
Science

Dr. Oduro Awuku Adu
Head of Science Department
Teacher of Biology

PhD and MSc in Biology Education (University of Sussex), BSc (Hons) in Zoology and Botany (University of Ghana). Taught Biology, Chemistry and General Sciences in Ghana, Nigeria and the UK for 12 years before joining ICS.

Ms. Maria Alvarez Rufino
Science and Physics Teacher

BSc in Electrical Engineering and MSc in Biomedical Engineering (University of Texas, Austin). Completed two years of research and course work towards a doctorate in Pharmaceutical Technology (University of Santiago de Compostela). Teaching certificate (University of Cantabria). Taught in China and Switzerland. Worked as a substitute teacher at ICS for two years before joining.

Ms. Paulien van Ekeren
Teacher of Science and Biology
Community and Service Coordinator

Msc Biology (Wageningen University) and International Teaching degree from Utrecht University. Taught at the International School Eindhoven, before joining ICS. She is the Personal Project Coordinator and Community and Service Area Leader.

Mr. Graeme Hall
Head of Chemistry

BSc in Chemistry, PGCE (Leeds University), MSc in Analytical Chemistry and Instrumentation (Salford University). Taught in the UK, Kuwait and Madrid before joining ICS.

Mr. Martin Lane
Head of Physics

BSc in Physics (Exeter University), MSc (Nottingham University), PGCE in Science and PE (Aberystwyth University). Has taught in schools and Outdoor Education Centres in the UK.

Ms. Marjan White
Teacher of Science and Physics

MSEE - Masters in Electrical Engineering (Tufts University). Spent 12 years in the USA as a Design and Development Engineer for Xerox Corporation. Spanish Teaching Qualification from Complutense University. Joined ICS in 2005.

Ms. Ana Ranera
Laboratory Technician

Laboratory Technician Certificate (Instituto de Formación Profesional Castilla).
Secondary School

Expressive Arts

Mr. Kjetil Hallre
Music Teacher
BA (Hons) Music from LIPA Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts. Taught music at DNS London, and has given classes in drums, piano, guitar and trombone. 9 years as activity coordinator at Norwegian summer school. Recipient of the Greenberg Jazz Award 2007. Still an active musician, now playing, touring and recording with Sala & The Strange Sounds.

Ms. Sarah Hodgson
Head of Expressive Arts Department and Music Teacher
B Mus (Hons) in Music (University of Manchester). PGCE in Music and Expressive Arts (Manchester Polytechnic). Taught Music and Drama in the UK and Spain and EFL in Madrid before joining ICS.

Ms. Katie Lumsden
Teacher of Drama and Art
BA (Hons) in Theatre and Drama Studies (University of Toronto), B.Ed in the Junior/Intermediate Divisions (grades 4-10) with specific teaching qualifications in Visual Arts (OISE - University of Toronto). Additional teaching qualification courses in English as a Second Language, Part I and Guidance & Career Education, Part I (OISE - University of Toronto). Has taught in Canada, USA and Spain.

Ms. Patricia Munn
Head of Drama
BA in Political Science (Ludwig Maximilian Universität, Munich and Trinity College, Dublin), Masters in Political Science (Trinity College), post graduate qualification in History, Theory and Practice of Theatre, University of Alcala, Spain. Completing PhD in Socio-Political Theatre. Taught English, Spanish and German as a second language in Germany, Ireland and Spain.

Ms. Alison South
Head of Art Department
BA (Hons), St Martin’s School of Art, PGCE (University of Greenwich). Has taught Art and Design since 1997 for colleges in London and since 2003 in international schools in Spain. Has exhibited own artwork internationally since 1991.

Secondary Spanish Department

Ms. Carmen Caballero
Head of Spanish Department
Spanish University Counsellor
BA and MA in Hispanic Philology and Teaching Spanish to Foreigners (Complutense University), School Teaching Certificate. Teacher of Spanish and author of educational texts.

Ms. Eva Martin
Teacher of Spanish
BA in Hispanic Philology specialising in Spanish Literature, Diploma in Teaching Spanish as a Foreign Language (Complutense University). Has been a teacher and Coordinator at the Ministry of Defence’s Language School for 6 years before joining ICS.

Ms. Rosa Parra
Teacher of Spanish and Spanish Studies

Ms. Angeles Sánchez Carrasco
Teacher of Spanish and Spanish Studies
MA in Hispanic Philology (Complutense University). Taught Spanish for Foreigners in the American University in Madrid and Complutense University. IB Examiner in Spanish.
Secondary Library

Ms. Elisabetta Cerrai
Italian Teacher and Secondary Library Assistant

MA in German Language and Literature, BA in German and Spanish (University of Pisa). Taught German in Pisa University before coming to Spain. Has held various positions as a Language teacher before joining ICS.