

Woldgate School Alumni

Pocklington and District Local History Group - WOLDGATE SCHOOL HISTORY

We will be trying to fit the history of Woldgate into the context of the development of education nationally since 1945 and locally (the East Riding). We are hoping that the personal accounts and memories that you provide will illustrate these national and county developments on a very local scale.

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Please answer the questions below about your past time at Woldgate School

Date or year you started at Woldgate September 1987
Date or year you left Woldgate June 1993

My role at Woldgate

Please enter your highlights of your time at Woldgate

When leaving Pocklington Junior School to move to Woldgate, memories are of all the rumours about "the hedge" and just the sheer size of the school. When we got to 4th and 5th form there was excitement to have our own block and with a vending machine! School dinners were great especially the sponge topped with jam and coconut and the chocolate crunch.

My favourite lesson by far was PE. If only they had a girls football team back then! I still keep in touch with some friends and the ones of us still local try and meet every couple of months.

Having left Woldgate I began working in the hotel industry as a receptionist in York. Over the years I gained promotions and became the Conference and Reservations Manager. A very varied role with great team morale but the hours just did not suit with my now young family. Having always held a wonder to work in a classroom, I embarked on this journey.

I enrolled on a NVQ 2 course to Support Teaching and Learning in Schools which was held on an evening in Woldgate School. It felt strange walking those A block corridors again, they had changed very little apart from the now lime green walls. On completion I moved on to Hull University studying a Foundation degree in Working with Children and Young People in Education and then gained a BA Hons First Class in Social Care Practice.

For many years now I have been working in a local primary school as a Teaching Assistant and ELSA, work I am so passionate about and thoroughly enjoy.