

Meet your Teacher

SAMUEL BARNES

ABOUT ME

Hello, I'm Samuel. I have only ever lived in Cornwall and am very proud to be a Cornishman! I live just outside of Newquay with my wife and our two young children. We spend most of our time outdoors and are at our happiest either exploring the beach or in the woods. On the beach I love swimming in the sea and keep telling everyone I am going to learn to surf, but then summer is over before I have started. I also love rock pooling with the children and getting up close with the amazing wildlife we have in Cornwall. I spend most of the summer camping with family and friends. I am part of a very large family, and we spend a lot of time together, sometimes a little too much. I love sport, watching and doing any sport. My favourite sports to watch are football and cricket, I am a big Manchester United fan and am hoping things will soon get better. My favourite sport to do is running, this is my happy place! I love to learn and am always keen to try something new or learn something new. My latest hobby of skateboarding has seen mixed results, but hopefully I will get better!



FUN FACTS

- -I love running in the rain
- -I have a dog called Arlo
- -I am trying to grow my own fruit and vegetables, with help from the children!
- -I like singing, but I am not very good at it
- -I have a few tattoos, some more traditional than others!

TEACHING PHILOSOPHY

My teaching philosophy focuses on many different things, but there are three that are most important to me. Child led, the focus is always on what meets the needs of the children in the class. While it is my classroom, it is nothing without the children and therefore I make sure that they play a massive part in shaping everything we do. I also like to build a team, my room is centred around becoming a team and working together to achieve our goals. Finally, fun! Learning should be fun for everyone and I aim to do this!

INTERESTING INFO

I have a large family of two brothers and two sisters. Now we all have our own families, there are currently 23 of us! Christmas can be a little mad as we have to rent out large houses, this year we have a whole pub to ourselves. I am used to noise and carnage, if there's not something going on I find it hard to focus.