

ALL - Japanese Language Committee - Who we are.

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Shoko Middleton is a qualified teacher in both Japan and England. She has taught at Morimura Gakuen High School (Yokohama), King Edward VII School (Sheffield), Sheffield Hallam University and worked as a Language Advisor at Japan Foundation London Language Centre. She is currently teaching at Greenford High School in London.

Lydia Morey (Chair) is a free-lance teacher of Japanese, covering the M4 corridor. She teaches Japanese to secondary school pupils, business people, post-graduates and adults. She has created many resources for the teaching of Japanese in the UK.

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Anne Rajakumar is the Japanese teacher at South Wolds School, in Nottinghamshire. Initially from Australia where she taught at both primary and secondary levels, she is now resident in the UK and teaches at secondary level from Year 7 - 13. She has published the Yonde Kaite series of Primary Workbooks in Australia and now produces resource material for the GCSE, A Level and IB courses.

Sachiko Yamaguchi is the Japanese teacher at King Edward VII School and Sheffield Hallam university. She has been teaching Japanese at the school for 4 years, from Year 8 to year 13. She also organises some cultural events and biannual residential trip to Japan for the students.

Kim Woodruff (observer) studied Japanese and Linguistics at university before spending three years as a Co-ordinator for International Relations in Kagoshima, Japan. She joined the Japan Foundation London Language Centre in 2007 and is involved in many projects to promote Japanese language education across the UK

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