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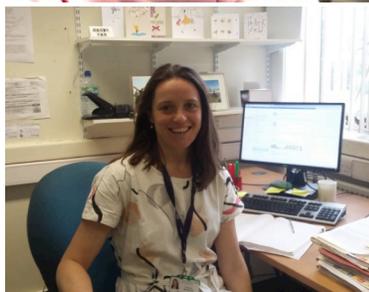
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Welcome to your first Y4 Must Read

## Introductions



Welcome to Year 4.

In this issue we will be introducing key people and contacts, and sharing some top tips for year 4.

We really hope you enjoy this year and the whole team is here to help you get the most out of it.

We will aim to update you with timely course information every 4 weeks using this Must Read, outside of that we aim to keep emails to a minimum.

We really value your feedback so let us know how things are going via your student reps or by contacting us directly.

Matt Jones and Pippa Watson



## Y4 MBChB Team



Luke Robinson

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I am the year 4 central administrator and the main point of contact for elective queries.

Although your base administrative team deals with the majority of your queries I will be in contact with you throughout the year in relation to registration, CRD checks and travel bursaries among other things

# Y4 Lead and Associate Lead

Matt Jones

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I'm a Manchester graduate and now work as a neurologist at Salford Royal and Trafford hospital. I enjoy acute neurology and also run a specialist atypical dementias clinic. Having previously been a consultant teaching fellow in Neurology I moved to become Y4 lead for the MBChB programme in early 2017.

Y4 is an exciting and varied year with so many different specialties to become familiar with. Despite this broad range of disciplines you'll see common themes cutting across all the placements; we're particularly keen to improve your clinical reasoning skills as you progress through this year.

When not diagnosing Guillain Barré syndrome, hitting people with tendon hammers or writing online cases I like to run (badly) and listen to (bad) indie music from the 1990s...

Pippa Watson

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I'm the Associate Academic Lead for Year 4 and a Rheumatology Consultant based at Wythenshawe Hospital. I also teach students during their Musculoskeletal Health block at Wythenshawe and am an academic advisor.

As academic leads we work with the block (specialty) leads to determine the academic content for blocks - including ILOs, online cases, TCD and Patient Assessment Teaching content. We also work closely with block leads and the assessment team on OSCEs and progress tests.

I am originally from Dumfries in Scotland, but have lived here for over 6 years now and consider myself a Mancunian. Outside of work I love spending time with my family and escaping for a run or a cycle.



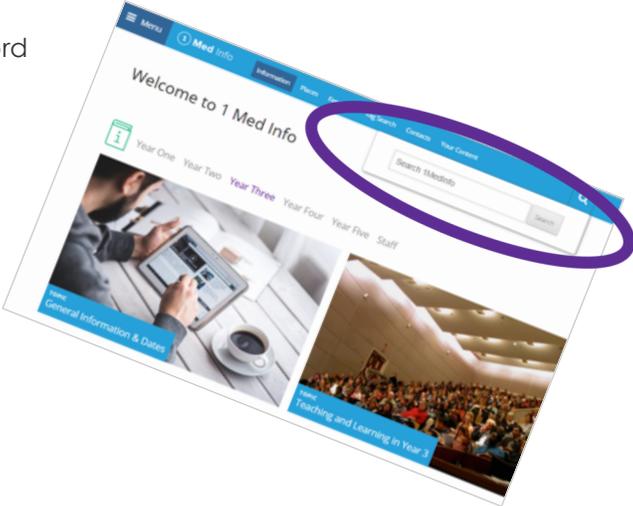
# Y4 Top Tips

The pictures above were all taken at our Y4 away day in June. Placement supervisors, clinical tutors and Block Leads from every specialty gathered to hear updates for 2019/20 and share good practice in order to prepare for the upcoming academic year.

In much the same way that the staff prepare, you will need to prepare and plan for Y4 as well. Here are some top tips:

- Remember to look at the pre-placement modules before you start your placements to help you hit the ground running
- Where possible find real cases to back up your online learning and help prepare for TCD – remember, you need to enter 3 patient assessments per week in your logbook
- Make learning notes and ask for feedback every time you do a clinic/ ward round/ theatre session and record this on your Timetabled Clinical Learning form
- Get started with UPSAs, Prescribing and Core skills as soon as you can. Doing each one once is a minimum but the more you practice the better
- **Check out more details on what to expect in Y4 on 1MedInfo, there's a 'search' function to help...**

- Pre-placement work
- Online cases
- Patient Assessments
- Clinical Skills
- Clinical Reasoning
- Themed Case Discussion



# Student Pastoral Support

Pip Fisher

Associate Programme Director for Student  
Wellbeing



## **New Student Pastoral Support Team – Encouraging Students to Seek Support**

We all need a little bit of help from time to time, but we know that coming forward for support can be scary and you have reported in the past that having Health and Conduct and Stopford SWAPS managers together in one team has put some of you off seeking that support when needed.

Over recent years the SWAPS team has been doing lots of work to try to break down these barriers, and to make it clear that they are not involved in decision making regarding any student's future. However, you have fed back that some of you are still reluctant to come forward for support. To help reassure you further about this, the senior leadership team has reconfigured the Stopford SWAPS team for the new academic year. This has involved substantial change including splitting one team into two separate teams; one for Student Pastoral Support and one for Health and Conduct Committee.

### **New name**

So, as of the new academic year, Student Welfare and Professionalism Support (SWAPS) will become Student Pastoral Support (SPS). In addition the Programme has invested in a new full time manager, Talin Aghanian, who is joining us from Student Support in Leeds to manage the SPS team in Stopford. We will very soon also have a new Deputy Academic Lead for SPS (replacing Professor Judith Hoyland who was promoted earlier this year)

### **New office**

We have a new office location in Stopford Building, on the third floor of Stopford, Room 3.015 which will enable more privacy for students when seeking support, as some of you had fed back that the current location was too visible.

There will be a separate Health and Conduct Committee Office with separate management in a separate location in Stopford Building.

### **New Email Addresses for Student Support**

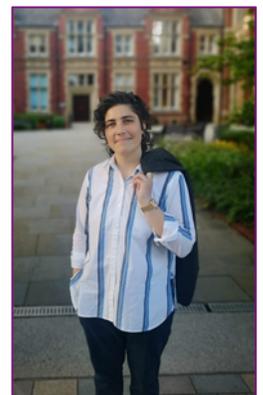
Telephone contact numbers will remain the same. There will be new email addresses to reflect the new name for Student Pastoral Support as follows:

Old Central SWAPS: [med.swaps@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:med.swaps@manchester.ac.uk)

**New** Student Support: [med.sps@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:med.sps@manchester.ac.uk)

Old MFTWythenshawe: [MFTWythenshawe.swaps@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:MFTWythenshawe.swaps@manchester.ac.uk)

**New** Student Support: [MFTWythenshawe.sps@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:MFTWythenshawe.sps@manchester.ac.uk)



Talin  
Aghanian

SPS admin  
manager

We hope that the changes will be welcomed by everyone and will encourage more students to seek support when this is needed.

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Hello and a very warm welcome to Year 4 Medicine at Wythenshawe! We really do want to make your time with us as rewarding as possible and all of our teaching staff are committed to the highest possible standards, as reflected in feedback from our year 4 students last year.

If you have any concerns, worries, (eureka moments!) around your experiences in Year 4, please feel free to drop myself or Cathryn (Administrator) a line any time and we'd be very happy to meet up! I am available every Thursday to meet students, and any such meetings will be confidential. I also have an interest in careers advice and would be happy to meet up with you to discuss careers if you would like.

If you are struggling with worries around your health, work, finances, exams.....whatever, please feel free to meet up with myself, or with someone in the SPS team. We are all very friendly and genuinely want to help make your time with us a positive experience.

From September I am excited to be starting as the new UG Hospital Dean and hope to get to know you all and support you through Year 4 and beyond! I will remain as Yr4 Lead until we find a replacement within the next couple of months. We will keep you all informed about this moving forwards.

Miles Riddle (Current Year 4 UG Lead MFT-W)

Here's a few introductions!



I am a General Paediatrician/Diabetologist at Wythenshawe. I studied at Edinburgh University a long, long time ago and got a BSc in Physiology and MBChB Medicine. I left University clueless about what I wanted to do in medicine, but really enjoyed a job in Paediatrics, Booth Hall, Manchester, and from then on I was hooked! I have worked all over the UK, Uganda and also in Australia. I became a Consultant in 2007 and have been in Wythenshawe since 2010.

My outside interests are classical guitar, yoga, writing and literature. I am also a huge Francophile and spend as much time as I can immersed in the French language.

Miles Riddle (Current Year 4 Lead)



Hi, I'm the Year 4 Co-ordinator at Wythenshawe. I've worked in the Undergrad Department here for much longer than I care to remember (20 years, I started very young!) in various different roles having now settled in Year 4 for the last 4 or 5 years. I have seen a ridiculous amount of medical students come through Years 3-5. It's always nice when years later they come back and offer to do teaching.

I'm looking forward to starting term and having students around again. The summer months, whilst very busy, just aren't the same without as many students buzzing around and the many queries.

I'm a mum of two kids (a 13 year old and a 9 year old) which takes up a lot of my time outside work. I'm also addicted to spinning and I go to a class every day, apart from Saturdays but only because my gym doesn't run any spin classes on a Saturday!

Cathryn Bostock (Year 4 Administrator, South)