Mrs. Perna Mrs.Perna made the decision to come tHSS because she heard it was a good place to teach. Her biggest challenge and most interesting moment teaching at HSS was filling out this questionnaire! Mrs. Perna got her teaching degree at UVIC.

Ms. Emsley

Born and raised in the Yukon, Ms. Emsley was inspired to become a teacher when her parents went back to university in their 30's and she was able to "witness the power of education first hand." As well, Ms. Emsley found that the teaching profession contributes to society, enlightening new generations and as she said "who wouldn't want to be a part of that?" Ms. Emsley, although having gone to university and getting her degrees, humorously said that she "watched a lot of Gordon Ramsey" when asked what those degrees were. Well loved by the students of HSS, for her humour and involvement in teaching, Ms. Emsley teaches Foods and Nutrition in the school.



Mrs. Larder went to Douglas College in New West. After working at the District Administration Office for 14 years she decided it was time for a change. She decided to become a secretary because she enjoyed doing data entry. Her biggest challenges working at HSS have been the constant interruptions and trying not to swear out loud. Her most interesting moments have been the interaction with students.





Ms. Vasiliu

Ms. Vasiliu moved from Surrey BC when she decided to teach at HSS. She attended Simon Fraser University in Burnaby and she now teaches Info. Tech., Video, Animation, Yearbook and Math. Her most interesting experience at HSS has been working for the Yearbook.



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Mr. Ungar

Mr. Ungar came this year to HSS to teach the Ace It program, metal works and Mechanics. His sunny disposition and eagerness to join in the school's extra-curricular programs have made him a priceless asset this year. His dedication goes to the extreme with his devotion to coming in early to teach the Ace It program. We hope he has a joyful time at Hope Secondary School.





Mr. Watchorn

Mr. Watchorn, our new principal, lives in Harrison Hot Springs, but he has worked in Chilliwack School District for the last 28 and a half years. He decided to work at HSS for the opportunity to work directly with High School teachers and students; it has been a few years and he wanted to return. Mr. Watchorn was inspired to become a teacher by the love of working with students and helping them to become successful. Mr. Watchorn got his degrees at UBC, UVIC and Seattle University. His most interesting experience has been the school dances. The leadership class has done a great job on them. His biggest challenge here has been getting to know all the staff and students.



Mr. Evans

Mr. Evans was inspired to become a teacher by the great teachers he had as a high school student. Before becoming a counsellor he taught for 15 years. Mr. Evans moved from Chetwynd, in Northern BC. He decided to teach at HSS when the opportunity came, and when he came up for the interview he loved the school and community. He has enjoyed being here. His challenge has been getting to know the students and getting used to the new school processes. Mr. Evans obtained his degrees at the Memorial University of Newfoundland and UBC. While at university he majored in French and minored in History. His most interesting experience working here at HSS has been the outdoor hiking as well as "Soup's On" and the staff vs. students in floor hockey.

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