

Name:

Dr Melanie Loveridge

Dates at Hawthorn:

1983-1990

Primary School Attended:

Heol-y-Celyn Primary School

Current Job:

Senior Research Fellow in the Energy Innovation Centre specialising in next-generation materials for Li-ion & Na-ion batteries.

Name of Employer:

Warwick University

Career Highlights:

Completing a Doctorate in Materials Chemistry & Corrosion and presenting a paper at the ECS Conference in Honolulu. I have published in high impact journals and books and contributed to government white papers and journal articles around energy storage. I am a Warwick representative for Athena Swan – aiming to get more girls into science to narrow the gender divide in senior academia.

Greatest Achievements:

Gaining a doctorate, presenting research findings at Westminster, Hawaii, Portugal, Oxford and Montreal. I was made a permanent Fellow at Warwick and would love to inspire young minds along the scientific route. I joined a spin-out company from Imperial College prior to returning to academia and was made a specialist working on high energy materials for batteries.

Favourite memories at Hawthorn:

Hearing Diana Davies (aka dinosaur, for some reason) recite the poem “The Cat & The Moon”, by W. B. Yeats – still can’t read that without feeling a bit sad of her sudden death all those years ago. Best memories included 6th form – if any of the year 1988-1990 – do get in touch, it has been way too long and it would be great to catch up with you all at some point...



Melanie with Godson Jacob