



**NAME:** Soraya Berry

**SCHOOL:** Nonsuch Highschool for Girls

**ROLE:** Librarian & House Coordinator

**STARTED:** November 2021



### **WHAT LED YOU TO NONSUCH?**

“The professional satisfaction of managing the Nonsuch school library was too good an opportunity for me to resist, and I was delighted to join the school as its librarian.”

### **WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT YOUR ROLE?**

“The role is varied and interesting and I value being able to use all the skills I have accrued over the years as a librarian, journalist, editor, and writer to support students and staff.

I recently took on the additional role of House Coordinator, which is lots of fun and encourages students to take part in wider school life.

I particularly enjoy being responsible for instilling a whole school reading for pleasure culture, which in turn encourages mental wellbeing. I also enjoy working with sixth formers: in both my roles I work with students in Years 12 and 13, either supporting them with higher education applications, essay writing or research skills, or in mentoring the House Officials team or school magazine editorial team with their extra-curricular endeavours.

The library at Nonsuch is busy and vibrant and is a real hub within the school, particularly with House activities too. I like where I work and I know I make a positive difference for students, which is a great feeling”