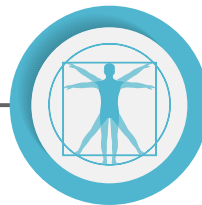


I grew up on a sheep farm in South Wales. I loved to draw, be creative and find out how things worked – I was always making things and loved solving problems! My family are all really practical as well; my dad was always working on cars and my brother and I would build tree houses, swings and wooden go karts.



AGE 8

AGE 12



At secondary school I started Design and Technology lessons. I had a really inspiring teacher who encouraged me to go on Engineering Courses in the summer holidays. He introduced us to the work of creative people like Leonardo da Vinci and James Dyson. I was unsure at this point what I wanted to do, so I chose GCSEs that would leave my options open including Art, Design, Maths and Physics.

I chose to do my favourite subjects at A levels, but I didn't know what to do with them. I was told that Art and Physics didn't go together, so I did a Morrisby test to see what career would suit me. It came out recommending I should be a Chemical Engineer, a Pilot or an Industrial Designer. I found that Industrial Design was just the thing for me – developing ideas and creatively solving technical problems.



AGE 16

I went to Loughborough University to study Industrial Design and did a year in Industry with Dyson. Once I graduated I worked at a Design Consultancy where I specialised in Medical Product Design. Over the years I have worked in all aspects of design and even had the chance to work in California for a leading Medical Design Consultancy! I have continued to learn along the way, taking courses in 3D CAD, Six Sigma, Medical Device Regulations and Material Selection.

I am now a working mum with 2 little boys. I am able to take the knowledge I have learned over the years and, as a consultant, work on design projects and advise about the tools and skills needed to do the job. I love to keep up to date with new technology and I'm excited about the future of Engineering Software, especially how it can help us create better products. My advice to anyone is to pursue the subjects they love and do work experience. You will always be best at the things you enjoy.



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FUTURE



In the future I would like to continue using my creativity, learn about new technology and develop some of my own product ideas!