Head Teachers of Meriden School

Francis Plant: 1820 – 1823

Seymour Smith: 1823

Only stayed a short time - possibly a stand in until a permanent Headteacher was appointed

Joseph Woodcock: 1823 – c1826

Samuel (or maybe James?) Oliver: 1830

John Henry Fretton: 1830 – 1842

Father of the famous Coventry antiquarian, William George Fretton who preserved important information on

Meriden in his published writings

Mr J Kimpton: 1843 – 1885

Retired age 75 years! Came from Cambridgeshire to Meriden in 1841 (Boys School). Helped by his wife, Nancy, and

their daughter, Mary-Ann.

Mr Radcliffe: 1886 – 1889

Mr Frederick Hassell: 1889 – 1898

Played the church organ, and was a cricketer.

Mr Arthur J Perry: 1899 – 1903

Mr John Penrice: 1903 – 1939

Trained at Saltley College, Birmingham, the training collage for Worcester Diocese. (Meriden was then in Worcester

Diocese).

Mr George Havercroft: 1939 – 1950

Mr John Fallowell: 1951 – 1976

By 1953 the school had become an Infant and Junior school. Older children were no longer admitted.

Mrs Mary Binnersley: 1977 - 1983 The first female Headteacher!

Mr Malcolm Evans: 1984 – 1990

Mr Andrew Walker: 1990 – 1997

Mrs Jacky Smith: 1997 – 2010

Mrs Lucy Anderton: 2010 – Present