

Staff Profile: Katherine Byrne, Business Services Accountant



1. Why did you choose Plus Accounting?

I got really good vibes from the initial interview and it felt like all staff members were part of a team and I wasn't going to be just 'a number'. I'm looking forward to widening my knowledge and skills at Plus.

2. If you could change one thing in the tax system, what would it be and why?

To try and make it a little more simple and easier to understand!

3. If you could give your 18-year-old self one piece of advice what would it be?

Have fun! Don't worry about what other people think, always be you and try your best

4. What was your very first job?

I did paper rounds when I was quite young, but I guess my first 'proper' job was working in telesales, trying to sell double glazing

5. What hobbies do you have outside of work?

I have two young boys so getting out and doing days out as a family is always top priority. When I have some time to myself, I enjoy knitting and socialising with friends.

6. Is it still a good time to be starting a new business in the current climate?

I think it depends on the business, but I'd generally say yes. I think especially since the pandemic started, a lot more people are looking to change how they work or are more likely to try something new, when life had always stopped them before. Along with the changing attitudes, I think people are trying to consciously buy local, or from small independent shops/sellers, as well as using local traders etc.

7. If you suddenly became financially independent, what would you miss most about your job?

Interaction with colleagues and clients, along with developing my skills and knowledge in the field.

8. What is the difference between a top ten 10 employer and a smaller firm?

At smaller firms everyone knows each other, there's more sense of being part of a team and not just a number. There's more opportunity to develop a wider range of skills and knowledge, instead of being pigeonholed into one area.

9. If you could meet a celebrity, dead or alive, who would it be?

Billy Connolly

10. Describe yourself in three words?

Loyal, honest, hardworking