

Specialist Leader of Education (SLE) Profile



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About me

I have been teaching Geography for over 36 years in a variety of different schools across Inner London and Essex. I am currently Assistant Headteacher: Staff Development at Mayflower High, where I have been for the last fourteen years in a variety of posts. During this time I have contributed to consistently good examination results in Geography, both at GCSE and A Level and been a successful middle and senior leader. I also contribute to the Lifeskills Programme.

Prior to Mayflower High, I worked in a number of schools initially in Inner London and subsequently for the last sixteen years in Essex. I have held a variety of middle and senior leadership roles, including Head of Year, Head of Lower School and Assistant Head currently for Staff Development, but also as the lead for Student Services / Student Welfare and standards in former roles both at Mayflower and Rainsford / St Peter's High School.

I therefore have an extensive range of experience on which to draw from a wide variety of educational settings. My practical experience is underpinned by theoretical knowledge gained from a wide range of CPD activities, including an MSc in Education Management.

I am a Deputy Designated Person for Child Protection at Mayflower and have also previously been the lead, both at Mayflower and Rainsford / St Peter's High.

I have facilitated the NPQSL Programme for the Billericay Teaching School Alliance and have worked with and supported a diverse range of senior leaders as part of this programme. I have co-facilitated the NPQML Programme and NPQSL Programme with Primary Headteacher colleagues and believe that it is so important to work collaboratively to develop and support staff.

I have also co facilitated with a Primary Headteacher Colleague, the DSLP 'Developing Senior Leadership Potential' Programme for the TSA for a number of years and have enjoyed contributing to leadership development in the wider local area by my involvement in these programmes.

I am a Professional Mentor for both Billericay School Direct and Mid Essex ITT. I also contribute to Billericay Primary SCITT as a lecturer and by organizing and hosting Primary Trainee visits to Mayflower. In addition, I was a mentor for Geography PGCE trainees for the Institute of Education for a number of years whilst teaching in Inner London.

I am a natural networker and problem solver. I gain great personal and professional satisfaction from supporting and developing staff to improve their practice and grow in confidence as a result.

Designated Specialist Areas of Expertise

- Geography
- Development of ITT Trainee teachers and NQTs
- Behaviour and Safety

Other Areas of Expertise

- Teaching Staff Development
- Performance Management
- Pastoral Leadership

Training Recently Attended

- The Power of Coaching
- NQT Mentor Training
- NPQSL Facilitator Training (Eastern Leadership)
- SLE Core Training

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