SACRED HEART

Catholic High School



SLE DIRECTORY

SPECIALIST LEADERS OF EDUCATION - A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER -

I am very proud to share such high quality staff with other schools in our region. We have a very talented group of Specialist Leaders of Education who are both willing and most able to share their expertise and vision with colleagues from other other schools.

Our SLEs have already been regularly deployed to deliver high quality, bespoke school to school support, while contributing to the development of other leaders. The aim will always be to improve outcomes for staff, and more importantly students, in the whole of the North East.

I have been privileged to work in a number of different schools in the region in a school to school support capacity, working collaboratively with colleagues at senior and middle leader level, as well as delivering bespoke CPD to whole staff. Having recently experienced a successful Ofsted inspection, I am in a position to offer practical Teaching and Learning support and advice for all staff in schools who are expecting a 'visit'

Mrs Suzanne Howell, Headteacher Sacred Heart Catholic High School



LOUISA CONNOLLY SLE Specialism: English

"I have 11 years of teaching experience and am in my fourth year as a Head of Department. My specialism areas are KS3, 4 and 5 English Language and Literature. I have experience of advising on the development of whole school literacy and the implementation of literacy to support and enhance teaching and learning in other curriculum areas.

I am an experienced GCSE English examiner.".

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Assistant Headteacher



CHRIS DAVIES SLE Specialism: Science

"As a former Head of Chemistry and Head of Science since 2002 I have a wealth of experience in leading this curriculum area. I was designated as an SLE in September 2014 and have been regularly deployed since. I have worked with a number of Heads of Department and Science teachers to improve outcomes in their schools."

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Head of Science



MICHAEL ASHTON-THOMPSON

SLE Specialism: Computer Science

"In my current role as Assistant Headteacher, and as a former head of department for ICT & Computing, I have worked with a range of schools to support them in the teaching and learning of ICT, and the transition from ICT to Computer Science. I am part of the Teaching & Learning Team at Sacred Heart and a facilitator for the "Every Lesson Outstanding" programme, and have worked with staff across the North East in delivering these sessions. My current responsibilties include: whole school IT strategy; transition from Primary to Secondary education; marketing and events"

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Assistant Headteacher



SARAH NAYLOR SLE Specialism: Art & Design

"In my previous role as Head of Art and Design I have worked with a number of colleagues both here and in other schools raising pupil achievement and attainment in Art and Design. I have a real passion and interest in Art and Design, and I have experience of working closely with other schools, Newcastle College and the University of Sunderland to implement joint collaboration on projects and raise pupil attainment and aspiration in my subject area. In my current role I am also cultural ambassador within the school and consequently I liaise with other heads of department on potential Arts projects."

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Art Teacher



RACHEL BURGESS

SLE Specialism: Drama

"As a teacher of Drama I have worked for many years developing effective strategies for Teaching and Learning and sought to use my expertise to provide practical advice for fellow Drama teachers, colleagues and trainees. I have worked with a number of staff at senior and middle leader level, as well as teachers from different schools in the region, offering advice and guidance on 'outstanding' Teaching and Learning. I have a concrete understanding of the ever changing needs of the Drama Classroom and can provide a working knowledge and experience of specific curriculum requirements at both KS3 and examination entry."

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Drama Teacher | Head of Progress



LOUISE BANFIELD

SLE Specialism: Geography | Pupil Achievement

"I have been privileged to work in an outstanding school for the last seven years and am committed to achieving the best outcomes for pupils. During this time I have worked with colleagues in my own and other schools, at various stages of their career. I am in a position to offer practical support for teachers including; curriculum design, innovative teaching and learning, increasing retention and uptake in Geography and improving pupil achievement".

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Head of Geography



KEITH MATHER

SLE Specialism: Curriculum & Assessment of MFL

"I currently hold the role of Head of French & Spanish at Sacred Heart Catholic High School and within my role I support MFL staff with Teaching and Learning, in addition to being the department subject mentor for NQTs and ITT students. I specialise in Spanish and currently teach Key Stages 3, 4 and 5.

Through carrying out my role I have experience of MFL assessment and moderation of KS4 controlled assessment tasks. I also have experience in developing the MFL curriculum as Head of the Spanish department at Sacred Heart"

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Head of MFL



LARRY CLARKE

SLE Specialism: Attendance & Behaviour | Safety | Chemistry

"I have taught in a variety of outstanding schools in Yorkshire and the North East and have been through three Ofsted inspections graded as outstanding. I have experience of providing school to school tailored support within Science, delivering safeguarding and behaviour training, as well as being a specialist Teaching & Learning coach"

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Deputy Headteacher



HELEN TIVNEN

SLE Specialism: Behaviour & Discipline

"I have been teaching at an outstanding school for seven years and have had many opportunities during this time. I have been a Head of Progress for almost four years, involved with Key Stage 3 and currently Key stage 5. During this time I have acquired the NPQML qualification focusing on Pupil Premium. Working with many students and professionals from a wide range of sectors has allowed me to refine day-to-day systems and processes to ensure maximum impact and improve behaviour and discipline. Through a passion to drive standards upwards and to ensure the academic progress of all students, I have been able to demonstrate a positive impact on their social, emotional and spiritual upbringing."

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Head of Sixth Form



IAN BRADLEY

SLE Specialism: Whole School T&L | CPD | Geography

"I have a wide range of experience in both departmental and senior leadership roles through my work at Sacred Heart. I currently have responsibility for whole school teaching and learning and the delivery of an integrated CPD programme to all staff. My recent Ofsted experience should prove useful to any school preparing for an inspection. I am also a lead facilitator of the ELO programme, which promotes outstanding teaching and learning across schools in the North East region."

Sacred Heart Catholic High School

Current Role: Director of Teaching & Learning



RACHEL NESBIT

SLE Specialism: Primary

"I have enjoyed working in a variety of schools with very different challenges and opportunities. I have delivered a range of training and support to many colleagues. Maths is my main area of interest, I am passionate about securing achievement for all. The training I have received and the working groups which I have developed have led me to understand the range of resources which can support and excite children in the teaching of mathematics."

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School

Current Role: Year 6 Teacher

