

## **PEN PORTRAIT**

## **Specialist Leader of Education**

Name of SLE: Catherine Brogan

School Name: Ss. Aidan and Oswald's RC Primary School

SLE Specialism(s): RE, Behaviour, Assessment and Special Needs

**Teaching School Alliance:** Heart TSA

## **Area(s) of Expertise**

I have been the RE Subject Lead for the last 12 years and the SENCo for 8 years. I have been the Assessment Lead for the last 2 terms but I have been involved in assessment as my role as Class Teacher and also as Assistant Head in KS2.

In my role as RE Subject Lead, I have supported a number of schools with their Religious Education curriculum, specifically linked to prayer and worship, meditation, P4C and the introduction of Lectio Divina and the study of Sacred Scripture. In more recent years, I have been asked to deliver training to Headteachers and RE Leaders, on Worship in preparation for Section 48 Inspection.

I have completed the National Award for Special Educational Needs which enhanced my practice, knowledge and understanding of the range of issues related to special educational needs enabling me to better support the most vulnerable children and families in our schools.

## **Current Leadership Responsibilities**

I am the Deputy Head of a large primary school. I am the Assessment Lead and RE Subject Lead and also responsible for the staff CPD and managing staff sickness in the school.

I am a qualified coach, accredited through the British School of Coaching. This assists immensely in supporting colleagues at various levels of teaching and leadership to allow them to develop the skills necessary to lead their subject area. Through my role as Deputy Headteacher, I meet with the curriculum leaders regularly. I work with staff to develop effective action plans based on the intent, implementation and impact model to drive forward improvements in their areas.



