

PEN PORTRAIT

Specialist Leader of Education

Name of SLE: **Kimberley Murphy**

School Name: St Ethelbert's RCPS

SLE Specialism(s): Leadership of the Curriculum, English, Behaviour and discipline,

Computing, Initial teacher training (ITT) and newly qualified

teacher (NOT) development.

Teaching School Alliance: Heart TSA

Area(s) of Expertise

As Creative Curriculum Lead, (TLR2) I support staff in ensuring a breadth of the curriculum is delivered, providing the correct balance between core and foundation subjects that develop both children and staff's knowledge and understanding as well as key skills.

As Computing lead, I have developed a deep understanding of the expectations of the National Curriculum and have applied these when planning a whole school scheme of work. I ensure meaningful cross-curricular links are made where possible and that the children have access to a wide variety of computing equipment both in school and during visits.

Through use of a variety of positive behavior management strategies and high expectations, my class is a hive of activity where children remain focused on task, are well mannered and are motivated to learn.

SLT and local authority advisors have told me that my practice in English is excellent. A variety of my reading resources have been shared throughout the school to develop continuity and increase attainment. Through lesson observations and discussions I support staff in this area.

Current Leadership Responsibilities

Computing Lead since September 2006 – present.

As part of this role, I am responsible for overseeing the curriculum development - ensuring a breadth of study is taught in line with the National Curriculum. I carry out a variety of monitoring activities including lesson observations and scrutiny of work. I then give sensitive feedback and ask challenging questions whilst always looking for positives.

Creative Curriculum Lead (TLR2) since September 2015 – present.

During my time in this role, I have developed a new whole school curriculum map that ensures the breadth of the curriculum is being taught in line with the National Curriculum objectives, as well as giving the children a variety of opportunities to meet their needs. I also lead a variety of fundraising activities to generate funds to enable us to enhance our children's experiences and to further develop their learning.



