

Education Learning Trust - Coach Pen Portrait

Name: Karen Burrows

Name of School in Trust: The Kingsway School

Primary / secondary / special: Secondary

Position: Second in Department, Maths



Professional experience:

I am second in the maths department at the Kingsway School. I have been a teacher for 12 years and have worked in two schools as second in maths during this time. My experience includes coaching staff who have been identified as needing extra support with their teaching, being a trainee teacher mentor, being an NQT mentor and, more recently, I have been a coach across departments at the Kingsway School. Prior to becoming a teacher I spent 11 years working in finance and internal training within that. I feel that this experience has led to me having coached and supported a wide range of people across a breadth of different subjects

Designation as Coach:

Date:

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2021/2022

Coaching experience 1:

I have worked with members of staff to support pupils learning behaviours in classrooms. We looked at how planning impacts classroom management and also how building relationships with pupils can also help.

Coaching experience 2:

I have worked with members of staff and supported them to break down their subject into key learning steps for pupils. As part of this, we discussed pupil prior knowledge and how to assess it and then deal with the results in the classroom as well as how to chunk a topic into manageable pieces.

My Coaching Style:

I enjoy coaching as I feel that it has benefitted me a great deal. I enjoy reflecting on my practise and supporting others in reflecting on their practise. I am very pragmatic, I like to observe someone's practises to help come up with practical solutions to trial in classrooms.

Main areas of expertise:

I am second in maths at the Kingsway school and was second in maths at my previous school. I teach across both KS3 and KS4. I enjoy developing my teaching and learning skill set and supporting others in developing theirs. I am currently jointly leading our department on rolling out a maths mastery curriculum at KS3. Much of my current role (outside of classroom teaching) focuses on ensuring pupil progress in maths and analysing data.

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Available to join school SSE reviews: Yes