

Developing effective learning environments

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For the past two years I have undertaken the role of SLE for Portsmouth and the South East, specialising in curriculum, P4C, music and parenting support. During this time, I have completed rigorous core training within the area of coaching which has enabled me to complete support work in various schools by building relationships based on a mutual and collective responsibility within the wider community.

I recently supported a Year 3 Leader in a Junior School, in developing effective learning environments across the year group, therefore helping to create high quality learning environments in order to raise attainment.

During last year I helped support a year two team in another local school, where I systematically monitored, evaluated and reviewed classroom practice and offered effective strategies to promote rapid improvement.

I have run workshops for Initial Teacher Trainees and teachers from across the city at various conferences including; The Solent Cultural Conference, the Nelson Cluster and our G&T Cluster, promoting P4C, closing the gap through the use of Boys' Reading Club and extending able children in music. My work on developing a Boys' Reading Club was noted in a Research & Development project conducted by Portsmouth Teaching School Alliance & written up in a document produced by the National College (Closing the Gap with the new Primary National Curriculum September 2014.)

I am an accredited Arts Award Advisor and a Level 3 SAPERE P4C trained practitioner. I hope to become a Level 1 SAPERE Trainer within the year.