



**Name:** S Phalora

**Subject:** Teacher of Maths

**School:** Nishkam School West London

**My route into teaching:**

My passion for my subject is what drew me towards teaching. Unlike other graduate careers, such as those in Accountancy, Finance or other mathematically driven roles, which specialise in just one or more aspect of the subject, I knew that teaching would keep me connected to it. I undertook my PGCE in 2011, being placed in schools in Banbury and Bicester, before moving back, closer to home, in Surrey to complete my induction into this profession.

**Why I love my job:**

I have found that teaching mathematics has given me a much greater appreciation of the subject as a whole. I am always finding new short-cuts and inventing better ways of doing or explaining things that I already understand well. That's the beauty of the subject I teach, which helps me to love my job.

**Why Nishkam:**

Nishkam understands the value of developing young people in more ways than just academically. The values-led ethos places a big emphasis on developing the students holistically, which is something I am very pleased about, and this is difficult to find in other schools.

**Next steps for me:**

I have the exciting opportunity to expand the department and help it grow into what will be an amazing Maths team! This will lead me to the challenges of GCSE and A-Level, further down the line, which I greatly look forward to!