

Teacher name: S Gaymer

School: Nishkam School West London

Subjects: Curriculum Leader for Humanities

My route into teaching:

Having come from a family of teachers, I always thought that I would do something different and that teaching wasn't for me. I couldn't have been more wrong. After studying History at Exeter University and then subsequently hearing how much my friends were enjoying their teacher training, I decided to embark on a PGCE at Bath Spa University. It was the best decision I could have made, and I haven't looked back since.

Why I love my job:

I love the way that no two days in teaching are ever same. I love planning lessons that I know our pupils will enjoy. The enthusiasm that pupils show makes me want to plan even better lessons. Teaching is a way to pass on the passion that I have for my subjects and it makes me want to keep learning. Having now taught three different subjects at A level, and two further subjects at Key Stage 3, I can honestly say that I have a love of learning and I take great pleasure in sharing that with our pupils. I can't think of a more rewarding job.

Why Nishkam:

As soon as I saw the advert for the role at Nishkam School West London, I was excited about the prospect of setting up a new department, in a new school. I was very drawn to the values of the school and I understood the vision that the school had. I was lucky enough to visit the Primary School a couple of times in the months before the Secondary School opened. From the moment I stepped foot into the school I was so impressed with the pupils. I also received such a warm welcome from the staff. From that moment on, I knew that I had made the right decision in joining NSWL.

Next steps for me:

The focus for me is now building a successful Humanities department which will encourage pupils to develop a real enthusiasm for both History and Geography. In the long-term, I hope to see many of our pupils following both GCSE and A level courses in Humanities subjects. I know that they will go on to achieve great things.