

Teacher Name: Mrs N Chadha

School: Nishkam School West London

Subject: Teacher of Science

My route into teaching:

After studying Psychology at Aston University, I joined the Teach First graduate programme. Initially, I was hoping this would be a stepping stone to a career in Psychology, but I quickly realised how much I loved teaching. I completed my PGCE in 2014. Since then, I have been a Key Stage Three coordinator of Science and Head of Psychology.

Why I love my job:

Every day is different. The simple joy of seeing students build an electric circuit to the excitement of making crystals is the reason I love my job. I get to see them during their 'lightbulb' moments and answer questions that other people in their lives may have not been able to answer for them.

Why Nishkam:

I knew I wanted to be a part of something that I may never have a chance to be a part of again. I will never forget the Nishkam welcome I received after visiting a lesson during my interview. Many schools are working on developing the student, but this was the first time seeing it in action and I cannot wait to see what they are capable of once they leave.

Next steps for me:

The school is growing and with another 100 students joining us next year I am very excited to be able to grow with it. I am hoping to play a more significant role within the Science department and looking forward to helping shape the Key Stage 5 curriculum with the opening of the new Sixth Form.