

Teacher Name: N Seraphin

School: Nishkam School West London

Subject: PE

## My route into teaching:

When in Sixth Form I had originally wanted to become a pilot. I had intended on joining British Airways Flight school. However, during my degree in Cardiff and sequential jobs after, in the Police Force and the Prison Service, when working with young people I was encouraged by colleagues and family to become a teacher. It only took one secondary school lesson for me to be convinced I wanted to teach at secondary level. I went on to complete my teacher training in Surrey.

## Why I love my job:

There is not just one reason as to why I like being a teacher, however the biggest reason is that when you get that student you know you have helped to progress or reach a place that they thought was unreachable, there is no better feeling. It is at those moments you know why we do this job and it gives you a sense of satisfaction.

There are many challenges in teaching and you are never just a teacher, so there is not another job I would do in the world, not even flying planes!

## Why Nishkam:

Being brought up in a religious household and going to a religious school, religion is an important part of my life and at Nishkam I am able to share these beliefs and the beliefs of others with my colleagues. At NSWL there is a clear sense of helping one another and a tolerance of the beliefs of others. Since joining, the way in which all religions are celebrated to equal effect has had and will leave a lasting impression on me.

## Next steps for me:

To complete this year at Nishkam and really learn more about what it is to be a Nishkam teacher, as well as hopefully to become a Head of Year.