

I graduated from University of Cardiff having studied Environmental Science and achieved my B.Ed (Hons) Degree in 1991. My first teaching post was in Berkshire for 2 years where I taught KS2 children. I then returned to Wales and taught in a Cardiff Junior School for a further 10 years. Subsequently, I took up the position of Specialist Teacher for the Behaviour Advisory team where I worked with pupils from 3 - 18 years old and in an Advisory capacity to schools, delivering INSET training across the county. I have completed training in The Theory & Practice of Nurture Groups (accredited by University of Leicester) and have recently qualified as a THRIVE Practitioner. Throughout my career I have always been passionate about Special Educational Needs.

In 2006 I returned home to Cornwall to take up the position of Deputy Headteacher at Illogan Primary School. I studied for my National Professional Qualification for Headteachers (NPQH) in 2008 and took up my first Headship at St Erth CP School in January 2010. Over a period of much change in the education system I have enjoyed the enthusiasm and support of colleagues at St Erth School and I continue to enjoy working with a great team of staff, parents and children. Most recently St Erth School has entered into a partnership with Truro and Penwith Academy Trust. I look forward to developing our relationships with other schools within the Academy Trust and working collaboratively on future projects.

I am married and have two children, Jack and Josh, with whom I love to spend lots of time on either cricket or rugby fields throughout the year!!!