




## Meols Cop Research School Evidence Lead in Education (ELE) Profile

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	Areas of Specialism Behaviour and Attendance Memory and cognitive science Evidence-informed teaching strategies
<p><b>Biography</b></p> <p>I am currently a pastoral Assistant Headteacher with responsibility for KS4 and Literacy/Boys' Achievement. I have been teaching for 26 years, 17 in SLT. Before my current role I have been both an Assistant Headteacher and an AST for Teaching and Learning as well as spending over 20 years as an ITT and NQT professional mentor. I have a firm and evangelical belief in teachers being trained and developed to be the best that they can be for the children in their care. Behaviour and teaching and learning are inextricably linked and I have been privileged to work in both arenas, marrying them up in my current role to ensure that the whole child is the focus of any intervention. Having spent many years attempting to raise standards via examination literacy, the recent evidence around literacy has given me the "next step" and I am busy receiving training and passing that on to the staff in my school on how we can all become teachers of literacy to further support our students' learning. Similarly, I am working with other staff in school on giving all staff the confidence to be teachers of behaviour. So many new teachers report that Behaviour is where they feel less confident; linked to falling emphasis on behaviour training in ITT, and so giving them the simple tweaks to turn that around and bring some joy into their classrooms is a key driver for me.</p>	



I love teaching, I love learning and developing my own practice and can't wait to get started in supporting others in doing the same.