Claire Sandley, Pre-school Teacher





Have you always worked in teaching/schools?

I have always wanted to be a teacher. After completing my degree, I worked in a primary school and then moved on to work in a nursery. I have now been working in early years for almost 5 years and I am extremely passionate about providing children with the best start to their education journey.

Why did you go into teaching/work in schools?

I really enjoy what I do because I believe teachers make a difference in the lives of the children they educate and care for. Not only can I teach children new things, I can also be a positive role model to help shape them into kind, caring and good people - something which is important to Educate Together schools.

What was your career path through teaching/current role?

I completed my degree at Oxford Brookes University where I gained a wide range of experience working with different age ranges and needs. I then began my career in lower KS2 and eventually decided to try something new. Since working with nursery aged children I have found my true passion. I love providing young children with the tools to act with independence and take the lead when learning through play. You will be surprised at how much children can achieve if they are trusted to give it a go. I also have experience of working as a SENCO.

Why did you choose Educate Together?

I chose Educate Together because their unique curriculum stood out to me and aligned with my core beliefs. I believe adults can educate children right from wrong and help to shape them into positive individuals.

What is different about your role in a new school?

This role will certainly be a fun challenge because I will be working with a brand-new team of staff, in a brand-new building, with a new community of families. It will be a great chance to set the foundations for a brilliant school community and I am so grateful to be a part of this journey.

What excites you about the future?

I am excited to see how the school grows and to be able to watch the children grow and change as the years go on.

Pre-school places are still available for September 2022 academic year. Children are eligible for pre-school from the term following their third birthday.

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