



At West Rainton Primary School our aim is to provide all of our children with the highest quality early learning experience in a safe, secure and happy environment. We believe this is vital, as it is a key stage of development which gives children the broad range of knowledge and skills that provide a solid foundation for future progress through school and life.

I have always been passionate about the early years and childhood development. As a newly qualified teacher, my first job was in a reception class. Here I got to witness at first hand the lasting, positive impact an early years teacher can have on children's well-being and development. I felt privileged to be given the opportunity of opening young children's minds to new concepts and ideas on a daily basis.

After teaching in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage for 10 years, I returned to the early years. First as a reception class teacher and then in 2016 as early years leader, a role I share with Miss Charlton.

As subject leader, I am passionate about providing rich and varied opportunities and experiences to ignite children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning. Every child deserves the very best start in life and we are committed to ensuring that this is at the very heart of our learning experiences and provision at WRPS.

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