

Gillian Wilson

I have been working in the education sector for almost 30 years.

I have had 19 years experience of being a primary class teacher. This is my tenth year of senior leadership experience; I have been a headteacher for 7 years and I have undertaken a seconded role of Executive Headteacher, leading two primary schools through challenging times. I have a strong, working knowledge of the national curriculum and have a particular strength in bringing this to life for children so they encounter memorable learning experiences. Through my educational leadership role, I have developed strong skills in leading colleagues – I have delivered training to adults and have modelled expectations and coached them to succeed effectively in their roles. Several staff members have progressed to middle and senior leadership levels in the seven years I have been at my school

I have strong strategic leadership experience and have developed this through school development planning, ensuring that actions are delivered timely and with measurable impact. I have planned projects; sought the support needed for school and have led these through to the final stage. My leadership philosophy is one of integrity and honesty, ensuring that everything I do meets the criteria of the principles of public life. I manage a budget of nearly 3 million pounds, ensuring that this brings about the best educational outcomes for children. I have strong pupil safeguarding knowledge and keep up to date with all training.

My absolute passion is local history and the celebration of pride in all our heritages. As a leader, I am very much 'hands on' and lead from the heart. I want to stand as a Director because I know I can make a difference. I have strong vision and hope for the future and feel excited to support such an amazing project. This project, for me, is about bringing communities of all ages together; it's about pride in the community and, above all, for me it is about giving our visitors inspiration from the Brontes and confidence to transcend barriers – to aspire, hope and achieve whether our visitors are 7 or 70.