



Sally Read, Business Manager, South Wilford C of E Primary School

- An extensive and well developed skills set acquired through lengthy service in the private sector (banking)
- Lateral, innovative and inspired thinker
- Advocate of SMART working practices
- Associate of the Chartered Institute of Bankers (ACIB) and Certificate of School Business management (CSBM)



'I always felt that the diverse skills set I had acquired in the private sector would lend itself to a school environment as I firmly believe that to be successful, schools need a two-pronged approach to leadership; one of which is centred on excellence in Teaching and Learning and the other on excellence in business and operational management.'

Sally's career move into the Education Sector in 2008 followed a lengthy and successful career in Banking. As a Business Manager, member of the Senior Leadership Team and a long serving Governor at South Wilford Primary School, Sally is able to see a setting from different perspectives and this means that she can develop practices which meet the needs of all stakeholders.

Sally is an experienced Project Manager with good communication skills and a sound background in all aspects of school finance. Above-all, Sally is a people person and is just as comfortable having a cup of tea with a distressed parent or presenting a Finance Report to Governors or Leading the Support Staff team at her school. Sally aspires to being the best she can be at what she does and one of her drivers is to work with others to enable them to do likewise.

Becoming a Specialist Leader of Education for Sally, is as much about seeing good practice at other schools as it is about sharing her own. 'No-one has all of the solutions but I am certain that there are ample skills across our settings which, when effectively shared, will enable us all to achieve greater success'

