



Name: Nicole Amoabil

Title: Senior leader, English lead for KS1, phonics and reading leader, mentor for trainee teachers and NQTs, Quality Assurance reviewer.



- Proven track record in leading school forward in phonics and reading in times of change
- Specialism in Key Stage One
- 23 years experience teaching in primary schools in Nottingham, East London and Africa
- Ability to build and lead teams



“Since a very young age I’ve had the passion and commitment to giving opportunities to children to develop and reach their potential regardless of their starting points. I firmly believe that children’s life chances are increased by their ability to decode words, read fluently and understand what they are reading. I am committed to working with leaders to improve the teaching of phonics and reading especially in Key Stage One and constantly strive towards the notion of ‘every child a reader’.”

Nicole started her career in the heart of East London in a four-form entry primary school. She completed her Masters in Education Development whilst leading Upper Key stage 2. She then moved to another London primary school to become assistant head teacher with responsibility for literacy and assessment. In 2009 she moved to Ghana in West Africa and became teacher in charge of staff development and training for the teaching of English, her most challenging but exciting role to date. She is currently a senior leader at Robert Shaw Primary and Nursery School in Nottingham working with Key Stage One to develop the teaching of English, in particular phonics, driving the school forward and improving screening check scores by 28% in two years.

Nicole is an outstanding teacher and shares her expertise with staff at Robert Shaw and in the wider trust. She is a trained Quality Assurance Reviewer and has completed phonic and reading leader training, coaching, mentoring and leadership courses. She also provides tailored support for trainee and Newly Qualified Teachers, building up a strong teacher base for the school, many of them passing with outstanding grades.

As a parent, teacher and school governor, Nicole has a commitment to outreach work and is passionate about developing leadership skills amongst staff in other schools, broadening her experiences and learning from every opportunity for the benefit of every child.