



Our Maths Subject Leader



My name is Mrs Behan and I am the Maths Subject Leader.

My passion/ personal experience with my subject

I found learning Maths in school a challenge; something I always strived to do better at. With the help of some very knowledgeable teachers and my own determination, I was successful in learning Maths and have become a confident mathematician. I am passionate about helping others who find Maths challenging turn their weakness into a strength. I am keen to find the most efficient ways to calculate mathematically, and to pass these methods onto our pupils so they can enjoy the fascination that the subject of Maths has to offer.

Experiences in our school

At Red Lane, we have adopted a Teaching for Mastery approach. We believe all pupils can achieve in Maths, no matter their starting points. I have a passion for starting strong in the earliest years, and so have worked with the early years and Key Stage 1 team to develop a well structured and coherent progression in learning. Hands on experiences is important for any age of learning, and so classrooms are equipped with resources that will help pupils to 'see' the structure of maths. Our coherent curriculum continues into Key Stage 2, where new learning is built upon the building blocks of prior learning. We are keen to use technology to support teaching and practice of new learning. Apps we use include Learning By Questions (LBQ), White Rose Maths 1 Minute Maths, WRM Infinity, Numbots and TT Rockstars. Most of these can also be accessed at home for further practice! Children who need more support to understand a mathematical concept are supported by teachers and teaching assistants at the point of learning so they keep up. I work with Turing Maths Hub with teachers from other schools

Hopes and goals in my subject

I hope that by continuing to work with Turing Maths Hub to collaborate with other local teachers helps us to improve our teaching of maths to have a positive impact on pupil learning, not just in our school, but in the local area. I hope that *all learners* can see Maths as a subject that is enjoyable and fascinating, accessible and essential to their everyday lives.

