

National Leaders of Education (NLEs)

NLEs are outstanding Headteachers who, together with the staff in their national support school (NSS), use their skills and experience to support schools in challenging circumstances. In addition to leading their own schools, NLEs work to increase the leadership capacity of other schools to help raise standards.

NLEs can be deployed in a number of ways and each deployment can be tailored to suit the needs of the school receiving support. NLEs are expected to support schools in the most challenging circumstances such as those in an Ofsted category, facing closure or amalgamation or falling below the floor standards.

The benefits of contacting an NLE

You should contact an NLE if you want to improve performance at your school. They will meet with the Headteacher and senior staff from your school to discuss the challenges you face and what help is needed. Their work will be tailored in partnership with you. They can get involved in different ways including:

- Working with your school alongside their staff
- Working with your school on their own
- Their staff working with your school under their initial direction

Who are they and what areas of specialism can they support?

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Specialisms and Strengths			
Learning School Improvement Planning & Self Evaluation Curriculum Design & Innovation Safeguarding Financial Management		Pupil Premium Reviews Coaching Behaviour Attendance	
Support Phase:	Secondary	Position in School:	Executive Headteacher



Biography:

I am an Executive Headteacher for Baylis Court Trust. I have worked with DFE as part of the teacher workload advisory group, mentored newly appointed Headteachers and presented at national conferences.

In the last academic year (and on-going) NLE activities we have dealt with the following:

- Slough Secondary School – Review of their 6th Form
- The Leadership Team at Maidenhead Secondary School – preparation for Ofsted
- Mentoring newly appointed Headteacher Secondary School, Buckinghamshire (on-going)
- Coaching Women into leadership – coaching two potential future leaders (on-going)
- Worked with DFE as part of the [Teacher workload advisory group](#) (6 days). In November 2018 the Teacher workload advisory group published a [report on moving unnecessary workload associated with data management](#) in schools. The report made recommendations for government and others to help reduce the workload faced by schools related to data management.
- Presented at national conferences: Managing workload (Birmingham & London)