

Michelle Smith

I have been teaching for the past twenty years and have worked in a variety of schools serving a varied catchment area. I am the Headteacher of a vibrant Church of England primary school in Darwen, which has a resourced provision attached for children with significant SEND. Providing an alternative provision poses many challenges but ensures the needs of our most vulnerable learners can be met successfully. I am the lead Headteacher for our local school improvement group and am therefore accustomed to analysing a wealth of data in order to provide support and challenge for leaders within our schools. I am the proud mother of a 13 year old boy who is currently educated at a local high school. I have a deep, personal Christian faith and regularly attend my local parish church. I firmly believe in working together to foster the growth of children's knowledge, understanding and skills, alongside the development of their physical, emotional, moral and spiritual well-being. I embrace living and working in a multi-cultural community and strive to ensure difference and diversity are recognised, valued and shared. I am whole heartedly committed to ensuring the best possible outcomes for all the children attending St Thomas' PRU.