



**Jo Cullen**

**Specialist Leader for Initial Teacher Training**

**Background**

For many years, I have been a staunch supporter of and participant in collaborative, school-led development. I believe that such a system gives a huge number of opportunities for all parties involved and that you truly do get back the amount that you put into it.

At the heart of this belief is a commitment to doing what I can in order to improve the experiences and outcomes for as many children as possible, not just those who attend St Joseph's.

Since arriving at St Joseph's in September 2005, I have been given some wonderful professional opportunities including leading a number of successful teams e.g. Artsmark, Eco-Schools alongside my curriculum speciality of Maths. I have been part of several professional leadership opportunities, including NCTL's Leading from the Middle programme.

As Deputy Head teacher and part of our wider Deanery network, I have led and participated in a number of collaborative groups including EYFS Maths and thinking skills, Maths subject leaders, Deputy heads and NQT development.

Since becoming a strategic partner for the Inspire Teaching School at Burgess Hill, I have been a proactive member of the Professional Learning team and sit on the Strategic Partner committee at St Mary's University.

**Support I am able to offer**

- Support for and development of subject leaders for mathematics.
- Developing teaching and learning in mathematics
- Developing a maths mastery approach.
- Advice with whole school strategy for mathematics.
- All CPD needs.