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# Hayley

Qualified British teacher with 17 years of experience BA in Drama and Education British curriculum and IB



Personal Information	
Nationality	British
Marital status, own children	Married (Hayley's husband is a school principal), has two children and would prefer weekends off
Location	UAE, Dubai, Al Reem
Driving License	Yes
Have a car	yes
Key skills	Leadership KHDA knowledge and experience IB and BSO experience Management Communicator Problem Solver Adaptable Innovative Creative
About Hayley	I am a qualified UK trained whole school teacher holding a BA (Hons) in Drama and Education. As a dedicated and passionate educator, I embody the essence of strength and enthusiasm in the realm of teaching and instilling the belief that 'education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than when you found it.' Teaching in the UAE has enabled me to gain an understanding of the KHDA inspection framework and requirements, as well as IB and BSO standards and expectations. Teaching in an international school has equipped me with the skills needed to support students and families who are new to the UAE and the school curriculum, working alongside them to support with the transition. In addition to this, working with over 102 different nationalities, I understand the demands of families who travel and the importance of supportive educators to ensure students receive the highest quality education, as well as providing consistency and continuity in their educational journey. My qualifications and employment history have provided me with the knowledge and experience in teaching students with English as additional language as well as students with



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additional learning needs. My strong belief in there should be no barriers to learning' ensures that all of my students can make progress, develop confidence and feel a sense of achievement regardless of their unique, individual needs. Through my teaching, I utilise my background in Drama and Drama Therapy by integrating this into my students' educational methodology.

I instill confidence, curiosity and creativity which allows students to deepen their critical thinking, problem solving and empathy skills, shaping not just students, but lifelong learners who are poised to embrace the limitless opportunities for growth and understanding which our world presents.

My unwavering commitment to fostering a love of lifelong learning is an area I pride myself on, and I recognize that education extends far beyond the confines of the classroom. Throughout my teaching career I have led a variety of International trips to Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York, Switzerland and France. I understand the importance these opportunities play in extending learning beyond the classroom and the power of learning through travel.

In addition to teaching, I am also a parent of internationally educated students and have first hand experience of understanding the demands of home learning, arranging after school clubs, using after school club sign up platforms and school routines. I also have a strong background in working with Private households to enhance and instill retention around the current learning of students.

Alongside teaching, I enjoy leading community projects and using the expressive arts to create entertainment for care homes during religious festivals and showcasing extracts from musicals being worked on at that time. I also have a deep passion for performing and during my University studies I was part of an Amateur Dramatic Society where we performed plays in a local Theatre. I have also a strong connection to charity work for personal reasons and I have completed several charity races to raise money for Cancer Research UK.

# **Education**

2002 - 2006

BA Ed (Drama and Education), University of Wales - UK

# Working experience

At the moment Hayley teaches IB at a private school in Dubai.

#### 2021 - 2023

#### **GEMS World Academy Dubai**

#### Whole School Director of Learning Expressive Arts

My role includes	<ul> <li>Leading a team of 16 staff across Drama, Art, Music and Dance KG-DP</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Knowledge and access to KHDA approved programes of learning and curriculum</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Weekly line management meetings with team members</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Directing Expressive arts productions both Primary and Secondary</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Coordinating set, costume, lighting and sound design for school productions</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Attending weekly Director of learning meetings</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Working alongside</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Parent association to showcase whole school community events</li> </ul>



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- Assistant directing external productions in EXPO, Atlantis, The Embassy
- Managing budgets
- Data analysis and termly data presentations \_
- Termly reports \_
- Parent meetings \_
- Led weekly department meetings sharing effective ideas for outstanding teaching and learning
- Led International school visits
- Oversaw local school visits
- Coaching and mentoring staff
- Developing resources and strategies to support students with additional needs or English as additional language working with students from 102 nationalities
- Modeling and accountable for high standards for teaching and learning
- Raising attainment to maintain outstanding outcomes

### 2018 - 2021

#### Porth Community SchooL UK

#### Whole School Director of Performing Arts

My role includes

- Led a team of 5staff members across Drama, Art and Music across Primary and Secondary
- Planning and delivery of drama,
- Art and Music lessons across Primary and Secondary
- Teaching drama both Primary and Secondary
- Directing whole school musical and drama productions
- Data analysis
- Managing budgets and purchasing resources \_
- Holding weekly departmental meetings \_
- Organising and leading
- Theatre visits
- Supporting Newly Qualified Teachers
- Developing Literacy Skills through performing arts lessons
- Taught English at both KS3 and KS4 (GCSE

## 2006 - 2018

Lewis School Pengam UK	
Head of Drama	
My role includes	<ul> <li>Led a team of 4 people</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Overseeing planning and delivery of drama at KS3, 4 and A level and BTEC Performing Arts</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Directing whole school musical productions</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Data analysis</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Managing budgets and purchasing resources</li> </ul>

Holding weekly departmental meetings

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	<ul> <li>Organising and leading</li> <li>Theatre visits</li> <li>Supporting Newly Qualified Teachers</li> </ul>
2010 - 2013	
GCSE Drama examiner WJEC U	κ
My role includes	<ul> <li>Marking GCSE Drama written papers</li> <li>Quality assurance of work and other examiners</li> </ul>

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Excellent references available on request