

Mr Lock – Assistant Head Teacher

I grew up in the borough of Waltham Forest and have lived there my whole life. I attended the University of East London just around the corner from Maryland Primary School. At university I studied Psychology for 3 years, this included learning about child psychology. It was at that point I contemplated the idea of becoming a teacher. Some local schools were searching for volunteers so I offered my assistance - this also gave me an opportunity to gain some experience within a school setting before I made the commitment to study to become a teacher. After that I realised that educating children and making an impact on their development is what I wanted to do. The rest is history.

At Maryland Primary School I have been a teacher in Years 2, 3 and 4. Within a couple of years of joining the Maryland team I took on responsibility to lead a curriculum area. Most recently (September 2015) I have been promoted to Assistant Head Teacher which also means that I form part of the Senior Leadership Team who lead the strategic planning and development of the school. My present responsibilities include being Maths Coordinator, a staff governor, an appraiser and overseeing the development of the EYFS provision. I am also a class-based teacher.