



This is my story

I joined Kensington Primary School in January 2016 and was part of the journey to being part of The Tapscott Learning Trust. I having been a Special Education Needs Coordinator, SENCo, for many years I was able to take that experience into the role of Special Educational Officer, SENO, across the trust.

My role is to support the SENCos in school coaching them professionally and also to develop the provision at their schools. We are fortunate to have SENCos with a high level of dedication and wide range of experience. I also advise on equality, diversity and inclusion, enabling the schools meet the needs of their children, which varies greatly between the different settings and communities. I deliver a range of training on special educational needs as part of Train Tapscott. Lastly, I ensure that as an organisation, and as schools, we meet all the statutory requirements placed on us at a local and national government level.

What I love is the opportunity to use my 20 years of experience as a SENCo to help others, whether that be staff, parents, children or governors. Seeing people grow is a great privilege.

I have seen the trust and its schools go through many joys and challenges, particularly in recent years through a pandemic, but always it is the children that are at the centre of everything that we do.

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