

Staff interview – C. Clarke Citizenship Teacher



- **What made you want to work at Bow School of Maths and Computing?**

I'm happy to be working at Bow School because it's an East London school where I grew up and I've never worked in a boys school before, so it's a new experience for me.

- **What is your role?**

I am a citizenship teacher. Citizenship looks at the world around us, our involvement as citizens and what we do to make change happen.

- **What does your job entail?**

Planning and marking mostly! My job rarely stops because I am always looking out for ideas and resources to make my lessons more interesting. I enjoy running extracurricular sessions because we can apply the subject in a more creative way using art, film and music.

- **What is the most rewarding thing about your job?**

I love my subject and having young people engage with a subject that they can see happening in reality, outside of the classroom is amazing. Cliché but it's really rewarding when the boys have a 'light bulb' moment and everything clicks into place. It shows we've both achieved something!

- **What is your favourite book?**

I've read too many to choose one! I think I really started to enjoy novels and understand literature during my GCSE's when I studied To Kill a Mockingbird

- **Who inspires you?**

I am inspired by my family. I come from very humble beginnings and to see what can be achieved from nothing and then make that into so much more is inspiring. I thank my mum all the time for guiding me to make choices that I would benefit from.

- **If you could invite 3 famous people for dinner who would you choose and why?**

I would invite Angelina Jolie because I would be interested to find out her motivation behind the adoptions, Tyra Banks because she's a really strong, determined, big personality and Alan Carr because he makes me laugh!

- **What do you like to do in your spare time?**

I love cooking and baking, I like to keep fit and I try to spend time with my friends.

- **Tell us a secret about yourself**

I wouldn't be a secret if I told!