

**MAKING
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BETTER**

TEAM TALK

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- Started at St Gabriel's in 2008
- Enjoys visiting Conwy



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What's your perfect weekend?

After a busy week at work I enjoy hiking with my family and friends followed by lunch.

Describe a moment in your current role that made you feel especially proud.

I am always amazed by the range of creative talent from all our students but one particular thing comes to mind. When marking one of my GCSE Photography students portfolio I was blown away by their passion and their way of story-telling through images.

What's something surprising about your job that most people wouldn't know?

The amount of coffee needed to keep our department running smoothly!

If you could swap roles with anyone in the Trust for a day, who would it be and what would you hope to learn?

Anyone who gets to visit all our amazing schools! I love seeing what goes on and how different schools approach things. You learn so much from each other.

What do you think makes your school a unique place to work or learn?

I first started working at St. Gabriel's back in 2008 (yes, I'm that old!!). What stood out to me on interview day is the same thing that stands out to me now; it really is a St. Gabriel's family. It brings staff together and gives us strength in a way I've not experienced at other schools I have worked. It is why I am still there 17 years later.

Do you have a favourite place you love to visit again and again?

I love going down to Conwy in Wales. We spend many a weekend and school holiday exploring the mountains, castles and beautiful scenery. They have amazing sunsets and I love a good sunset photo.

In one sentence, how would you sum up what "Making Lives Better" means to you?

It doesn't need to be a big grand gesture it's the little, everyday acts of kindness that add up to making lives better.

Which book, TV show or film do you recommend to everyone?

My daughter and I have started re-watching Dr Who. That's always a good watch.

What's one thing on your bucket list you still hope to tick off?

After my degree, my husband and I lived in America for a few years, and I would love to take our children back to visit and travel around the different states. We never made it to the Rocky Mountains whilst there so I would head there first.





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