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I am the CEO and Co-Head of Batley Girls' High School (BGHS), rated Outstanding in every category by OFSTED. I was awarded National Leader in Education status in 2018 and BGHS Teaching and Support School status at the same time. I have 28 years of secondary teaching experience (25 at middle and senior leadership level), working for three Local Authorities in London and West Yorkshire. My qualifications include NPQH, PGCE & BA Visual Arts. I also completed the Cambridge Education 'Building Capacity in Multi Academy Trusts' 8 day course in 2017.

As the lead of BGHS Specialist Status for over 10 years, I led on developing sustained and deep-rooted whole school improvement, shifting accountability outcomes in KS4 from below average to consistently sig +. I believe that developing a powerful culture of sustainable and distributive leadership, partnered with innovative and creative practice, has been key to long-term change.

Prior to becoming Co-Head, I was the Deputy Head leading on outcomes and achievement. The outcomes at BGHS are consistently sig + for progress and have been in the top 3 of the Local Authority tables for the past 7 years.

BGHS leads a highly successful School Direct teaching alliance and I have successfully led the conversion of numerous schools joining Batley Multi Academy Trust (BMAT). I have supported the work of the Head at Upper Batley High School in securing school improvement. I am leading school-to-school support with Healey, Junior, Infant and Nursery School. Healey's Maths outcomes in 2017 significantly improved, as did progress with pupil premium children. From inadequate in 2016, safeguarding at Healey was deemed by Ofsted to be "effective" in March 2017.

Leading the work on achievement in English and Maths has been a sharp focus for me at BGHS and outcomes for progress topped the Kirklees tables for both in 2016 and remain consistently strong in 2017 and 2018. The senior leadership team at BGHS also provide support for secondaries outside BMAT.

As chair of MOSAIC (registered charity) for the last 10 years, I have been instrumental in strengthening science based learning through creative practice in the 14 participating schools. The central vision and ethos of Mosaic is to develop community cohesion, challenge poverty of aspiration and strengthen academic learning through Creative Arts practice. For more information about their work, please visit [www.changeproject.co.uk](http://www.changeproject.co.uk).