



# Testimonial



My journey with River Tees Multi Academy Trust began after five years working in mainstream education and a ten-year career in electrical consultancy. These experiences gave me a strong understanding of school operations and the importance of creating safe, compliant and well-maintained learning environments. I joined RTMAT as Premises Manager because I was drawn to the Trust's values and its commitment to transforming lives through education.

From the outset my focus has been on the Trust's core values through my work. Being Resilient and Brave helps me respond calmly and confidently to the challenges that come with managing multiple sites. I aim to be Trustworthy and Kind by supporting staff and students with a reliable presence. Above all I commit to making a positive difference each day ensuring that every environment we create are safe, welcoming and supports learning.

Working across the Trust has strengthened my belief in being Aspirational and Hopeful always looking for ways to improve our facilities and contribute to the long-term development of our schools. I approach my work with a Tolerant and Respectful mindset valuing the diverse needs of our learners and the dedication of our colleagues.

RTMAT has played a significant role in my professional growth. The Trust is currently supporting me to build my skills and expand my knowledge and grow my leadership capabilities. I am now working towards a Level 5 qualification in Operations Management with the full support of the Trust which will further strengthen my ability to contribute strategically to the Trust's development.

Reflecting on my journey so far, I am grateful for the opportunities, support and trust I have received. Being part of RTMAT has allowed me to grow both further than I ever both personally and professionally and I am proud to play a role in supporting our learners, staff and wider communities.



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