

## Specialist Leader Of Education Profile



Richard Lowe

### **Background Experience**

I have 11 years of teaching experience specialising in Duke of Edinburgh Award. I feel it is vital to unlock the personal potential of each and every student. I have led the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme which has seen over 500 students achieve their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze, Silver and Gold. Of which 37 Gold awards have been collected from the Palace.

I have always been passionate about the award, as being part of the award develops both staff and students' giving them a skills set that is vital to management and leadership. As well as unlocking the personal potential of each student, developing self-confidence and esteem.

I am an Accredited DofE Assessor and Hold National Governing Body qualifications for the expedition process, which enables students to be able to complete successfully whilst being challenging, safe, and fun.

## Areas of Expertise

Duke of Edinburgh Award:

I have been involved in training and mentoring 26 staff who became leaders within the Award Scheme. I have led the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme which has seen over 500 students achieve their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze, Silver and Gold. Of which 37 Gold awards have been collected from the Palace.

Under my leadership, the DofE Award has grown from a small centre of 28 participants to a centre which has over 100 participants each year. With the introduction of the Gold Award and developing the centre to facilitate large numbers successfully.

I have set up and organised the whole of Year 8 achieving the Windsor Academy Trust Pledge strand for a Duke of Edinburgh Award style expedition

Most recently, I am working with the two secondary schools in Windsor Academy Trust, helping to plan collaborative resources to develop and/or set them as a directly licensed Centre, make them a sustainable Centre with high completion rates.

## Windsor High School and Sixth Form

