

## **Bob Coleman – pen portrait for LLE**

I am the Headteacher of St John's Catholic Primary in Bath, a school of 320 which includes a high proportion of EAL and SEN children. The school is in new buildings and is over-subscribed. We were judged as "Good" by OFSTED under the new regime (February 2014) and "Good with outstanding features" by the diocese. I am a member of the LA Excellence Board, which looks to support and encourage all schools to be the best they can be. Currently, I am part of a committee helping the diocese to consider resourcing and evaluate the potential for academy conversion.

My experience:

11 years as head / amalgamating a school on two sites to one / integral in the building of a new school / coaching a new head for the NCSL / working as an LLE for the local authority to support experienced heads, especially following OFSTED or in preparation for OFSTED / mentoring a number of heads who have found themselves struggling emotionally / building leadership in school and succession planning / helping to build an excellent governing body / taking a school from special measures to good / encouraging distributed leadership.

Areas I may be able to support include:

Mentoring / coaching / leadership development / prioritising / governing bodies / assessment under the new curriculum / induction for new heads

I hope the information given here will help you to decide if I would be a good match for your school and current situation.

Bob Coleman