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**Qualifications:**

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| **Dates** | **Establishment** | **Award** | **Additional info.** |
| **09/99 – 06/00** | **University of Northumbria at Newcastle** | **PGCE**  **(Upper Years)**  **With specialism awarded in science, music and ICT** | When I attended, This university ranked within the top 3 in the country for teacher training. My overall grade was 68% where v.g. ran at 63-68% and outstanding at 73 – 78%.  I entered as an early years specialist having previously completed 4 months on an NNEB course and transferred across to later years. |
| **04/98** | **The Language Centre,**  **Scotland** | **Certificate in Teaching English as a Foreign Language** | **Pass** |
| **09/93 – 12/96** | **Queen Margaret University College**  **Edinburgh** | **B.Sc Combined Studies**  **(Applied Human Nutrition)** | **Pass** |
|  | **Royal College Of Music (Exam Board)** | **Grade 8** Piano Performance  **Grade 6** Music Theory | I have been working towards the ABRSM teaching diploma |

**QTS courses attended (chronological order):**

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**Voluntary Work (Chronological Order):**

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| **Dates** | **Name and Address** | **Position / Duties** | **Reason for leaving** |
| **9/92 – 5/93** | **The West Primary School, Kirkcaldy** | **Voluntary teaching assistant** | **To earn money for university** |
| **9/94 – 6/99** | **East Craigs Primary School, Corstorphine** | **Voluntary teaching assistant (all year groups from nursery to year six) throughout school** | **To earn money for university** |
| **9/98 – 6/99** | **Auchtertool Primary School, Fife** | **Voluntary teacher in all year groups (composite classes)** | **To earn money for university** |
| **8/06 – 07/07** | **Dagoretti Corner, Hidden Talents Academy. (Orphanage in Kenyq)** | **Went out to teach for one month. Whilst in Kenya and upon return home I set up a group which provided money for food, shelter and resources. This achieved local media coverage and gave talks at community centres and churches** | **Gave birth** |

**Paid Work:**

I took on paid work throughout High School and University such as cleaning, waitressing, bar work, kennel management (family business), piano / keyboard tutoring, and playworker at holiday schemes

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| Dates | Name and Address of Employer | Position / Duties | Reason for Leaving |
| 5/93 – 9/93 | Hilton House  Dunfermline  Fife | Nursery Nurse Assistant | To go to University |
| 1994 - 2000 | Corstorphine Holiday Care Club | Playleader during School holidays | To start teaching career |
| 1996 - 2010 | Private Piano Teacher | Preparing children for Royal School of Music exams | Stopped when second daughter was born |
| 1/97 – 8/97 | Darmel House Kindergarten | Nursery Teacher | To start teaching career |
| 8/97-8/98 | Puddledub Kennels and Cattery | Manageress for family business | To focus on career |
| 12/99 – 2 / 00 | Walbottle First School  Newcastle Upon Tyne | Nursery / reception trainee teacher (early years unit) | Placement |
|  | Battle Hill Primary School Wallsend | Y4 trainee teacher | Placement |
| 5/00 - 06/00 | St Mary’s Primary School, South Shields | Y3 trainee teacher | Placement |
| 09/00-07/01 | Spring Gardens Primary School, Newcastle Upon Tyne | Music co-ordinator, ran KS1 productions, year 5 class teacher but year 5/6 maths (SATs) | Moved to Stoke-on-Trent. Wanted to go on supply to gain wide range of experience |
| 09/01 – 08/02 | Recruit (Supply for 3-11) Full time contract  **Autumn Term**  Y3 Golden Hill Primary School  **Autumn / Spring Term**  Y3 Doxey Primary School Stafford  **Spring Term**  Nursery to Y6 throughout Staffordshire | Supply teaching. This gave me lots of confidence as I discovered that I was able to manage some very difficult classes that had placed teachers onto long-term sick leave. Schools invited me to apply to stay with them. I felt part of a large team as schools would request me. | My conscience rattled me as I found the job very easy and everyday mangers would say to me that “teachers like me were needed full-time in schools” and I shouldn’t be “on supply”. However, I enjoyed the adrenaline of not knowing where I was going next |
| 09/02 – 04/04 | St Anne’s Primary School, St Anne’s Vale, Brown Edge ST16 8TA | History and music co-ordinator. Taught music throughout school from foundation to year 6. Responsible for school shows, productions and links with outside primary and high schools | I wanted to learn more about dealing with children with challenging behaviour, autism and other special needs. |
| 07/06 – 08/06 | Dagoretti Corner Hidden Talents Academy, Nairobi, Kenya | Taught orphans throughout school for three weeks. Set up an aid “charity” for the Dagoretti Corner Hidden Talents Academy to provide food, shelter and resources. Achieved local media coverage and gave talks at community centres and churches | Stopped following birth of daughter |
| 04/04/06- 07/04/06 temporary contract  07/04/06 – 31/8/12 permanent contract | Marshlands Special School,  Lansdowne Way | Foundation to year 2 class teacher (Composite class with severe special needs including autism, behaviour and ADHD). Co-ordinator for English and music (taken away when I commenced maternity leave). Assembly co-ordinator | Pregnant with third child |
| 17/1/15 to present date | Wildwood Childcare Ltd. | Registered as Ofsted registered childminder and piano teacher  Awards received: SME Midlands Enterprise Award 2018: Best Childcare and Tuition Centre Staffordshire  SME Midlands Enterprise Award 2019 Pre-school of the year – Staffordshire  2019 Corporate Livewire 2019 Global Childcare Company nomination – Innovation and Excellence Award 2020 | Continuous |
| July 2020 | ACQ5 Award | Best Practise: Education and Provider Award UK 2020 |  |
| August 2020 | Affiliated Corporate Member | The Tutors’ Association |  |
| September 2020 | Oxford University | Online Course Design |  |
| September 2020 | CREC | MA  Educational Research Development  (0-8 year olds) |  |
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