

BYRON GEOFFREY FARROW

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT / HEAD OF GRADE

PHYSICS / SCIENCE / THEORY OF KNOWLEDGE / WELLBEING



I am passionately dedicated to the support of student wellbeing and student achievement. By the application of evidence-based methods and appropriate best of practice I support my students and colleagues in being safe, motivated and capable of meeting and exceeding their expectations. I bring strong analytical and organisational skills, balancing over twenty years of classroom experience with a desire to adapt and innovate - to be the best teacher, leader and administrator I can.

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Nationality:

British

Languages:

English

Spanish (intermediate)

Skills:

Effective communication

Department leadership

Classroom management

Student guidance

Curriculum development

Exam authoring

Data Analysis (Excel, R)

Web Development

Programming (Java, Python)

Interests:

Photography

Astronomy

Computing / Technology

Aviation / Flight simulation

Science Fiction

Education Work Experience

SUZHOU SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL (China)

DP Physics and Theory of Knowledge Teacher, MYP Science Teacher _____ **2006 - present**

Sole teacher of DP Physics from 2008.

Curriculum development and assessment standardisation with department.

Head of Department - Theory of Knowledge _____ **2017 - present**

Led curriculum development and assessment practices and data analysis.

Head of Grade 11 / 12 (rotating) _____ **2013 - present**

Head of Grade 10 _____ **2007 - 2009**

Pastoral curriculum development for grade level.

Overseeing discipline and social-emotional wellbeing of the grade level.

Lead the grade level pastoral team and Student Assistance Team.

Coordination and analysis of Student Wellbeing Survey.

Policy development, including student management and Due Process documentation

MYP Coordinator _____ **2009 - 2012**

Responsible for MYP curriculum development and implementation.

Coordinated and resourced the MYP Personal Project.

Successfully led the MYP from IB Evaluation and school accreditation visits.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

MYP School visit team leader and consultant _____ **2013 - present**

Led and participated in evaluative school visits in China, India, Japan, Australia & Hong Kong.

Consulted schools through the MYP programme application process.

Exam author _____ **2013 - present**

Author of MYP eAssessments for the IB. Specimen paper and live exams.

MYP and DP examiner and moderator _____ **2010 - present**

DP Physics examiner 2010 - 2014, MYP Science and Physics examiner 2010 - present.

COLEGIO ANGLO COLOMBIANO (Colombia)

DP Physics, MYP Science and IGCSE Physics Teacher _____ **2002 - 2006**

Also coordinated the Duke of Edinburgh / International Award.

MAGYAR-BRITISH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL (Hungary)

DP Physics, IGCSE Science, KS3, KS2 Science Teacher _____ **1999 - 2002**

Also coordinated the Duke of Edinburgh / International Award.

RAMSEY ABBEY SCHOOL (United Kingdom)

A-Level Physics and GCSE Science Teacher _____ **1996 - 1999**

Qualifications

BSc (Hons) Physics with Astrophysics, University of Birmingham (1992 - 1995)

Post-Graduate Certificate in Education, University of Birmingham (1995 - 1996)

BSc in Computer Science, University of the People (2018 - 2022 projected)

Professional Development

(selection)

Middle Leaders Training PD Academia (2019)

DP Theory of Knowledge, Cat. 3, IB (2018), **Cat. 2**, IB (2016), **Cat. 2**, IB (2014)

Child Protection, SSIS(2017)

DP Physics, Cat. 3, IB (2017), **Cat. 2**, IB (2007)

MYP SVTL & Consultant Training, IB (2013), **SVT Training**, IB (2012)

References

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