

Personal Information:

Name	Robert Patterson	Main Subject	Primary Education	Specialism	Physical Education
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My academic qualifications:

School/College	University
Whitley Bay High School (2008-2013) GCSE: Maths (B), English Language (A), English Literature (B), Science (B), Additional Science (C), ICT (Credit), History (B), Physical Education (B) A Level: English Language (D), Physical Education (C), History (D), General Studies (C)	Teesside University (2013-2016) BA (Hons): Applied Sports Management and Development (2:1) North East Partnership SCITT (2018-2019) PGCE and QTS: Primary with Physical Education (Pending)

The experience I have had in schools:

PGCE Placements	Southridge First School , North Tyneside (September - December 2018 / April - June 2019) Valley Gardens Middle School , North Tyneside (September - December 2018) Cullercoats Primary School , North Tyneside (January - March 2019)
Undergraduate Placements	Riverside Primary School , North Tyneside (2012)

The strengths I have within my teaching:

Core Subjects	Physical Education	Other
<p>My knowledge of teaching core subjects has increased throughout my PGCE year due to various CPD opportunities offered through North Tyneside Local Authority and a range of schools. I have then had the opportunity to apply this knowledge through teaching placements in both key stage one and two. I have also observed lessons in all core subject areas in order to gain knowledge and take ideas from my peers and colleagues. I am always willing to develop my subject knowledge outside of school, in order to deliver lessons to the highest standard to ensure that good progress is made. I particularly enjoy using practical and physical items to show and explain topics to the children. This is particularly relevant in Numeracy, where I have used counters with various values to explain subtraction with exchange. This is also valuable for children who are physical learners.</p>	<p>Through the training I have received on my PGCE and through the delivery of Physical Education on my placements, I feel confident in delivering lessons which allow the pupils to be taught effectively and to create an environment where the pupils learn. I understand that Physical Education is about the pupils being taught and not coached and should have clear objectives and goals. I am passionate that all pupils can be involved in any lesson, and attendance on an Inclusive PE Course has given me the tools and knowledge to know how and when to differentiate effectively.</p> <p>NGB Teachers Courses: British Gymnastics Core Proficiency, England Netball High 5, Kids First Rugby Award, FA Primary Teachers Award, Sainsbury's Inclusive PE Award, EWCB Primary Cricket, Tennis Foundation Primary School Tennis Teacher, England Athletics Primary Run, Throw and Jump, YST BUPA Start to Move, YST Matalan TOP Sport.</p>	<p>I have attended training on coding which has given me the foundations of knowledge about how to use Computing to help pupils to learn to problem solve. I have supervised a Lego-Therapy Club at Southridge First School, which has given me the confidence and ability to stretch pupils who have autism. This activity also allowed me to build a professional rapport with this pupil, which benefitted him in core lessons. I will also develop my knowledge and understanding in the foundation subjects as the year progresses. I have a great passion for music.</p>

My personal skills and qualities:

I pride myself on being a highly driven, personable and trustworthy individual. My huge appetite for pushing myself beyond what I believe I can reach, has helped me to gain high grades in music exams. Through completing many music exams, I know how to cope under pressure, and use my nerves to my advantage. I am a very honest and approachable person who always has time for others. I am easy to get along with, empathetic and extremely passionate about helping and working with others, which was one of the major factors in my decision to go into teacher training. I have strong communicational skills with both adults and children; these skills have had a direct impact on my lines of previous work, as I was asked to work for a customer due to his observation of my hard-working nature. I am always willing and happy to learn more, and be told where I have gone wrong, in order to succeed and improve.

My other interests and hobbies:

I have played many sports at various levels, including playing football for Cullercoats Football Club, cricket for Tynemouth Cricket Club and tennis and table-tennis for my school. I completed the Great North Run in 2017 and 2018, raising £2,800 and £900 respectively. I also enjoy watching sports and have been to both Silverstone and Monaco for the F1 Grand Prix in recent years. Another passion of mine is music. I first started playing the piano when I was 7 years old and still play today. I use the piano as a way to combat stress and also for personal enjoyment; I have completed my grades from grade 2 through to grade 8. I started to play the saxophone in high school and played in the North Tyneside Concert and Vermont bands for over 5 years. We played many concerts at various venues including the re-opening of Tynemouth Station, Newcastle City Hall and The Playhouse in Whitley Bay. This required a lot of dedication and practice, as there is a lot of pressure attached to performing in front of large crowds. I really enjoy travelling and exploring new places across the world; I went inter-railing around Europe in 2017 and visited Amsterdam, Berlin, Krakow, Budapest, Rome, Venice and Vienna.

Preferred location:

North East, Leeds, Midlands