

Personal Information:

Name	Sophie Brown	Main Subject	Physical Education	Second Subject	Mathematics
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My academic qualifications:

School/College	University
Framwellgate School Durham (2001 - 2008) GCSE: Science Double Award (CC), Maths (B), English Language (C), English Literature (B), Physical Education (A), History (C), Geography (B), Religious Studies (B), ICT Double Award (AA) A Level: Geography (D), Physical Education (C)	York St John University (2008 - 2011) Physical Education and Coaching (Grade 5 Diploma) Newcastle College (2017 - 2018) BA(Hons): Sport and Education (2:1)

The experience I have had in schools:

PGCE Placements	Dene Community School , Durham (January - December 2018) St Wilfrid's RC College , South Tyneside (January - June 2019)
Undergraduate Placements	Durham High School for Girls , Durham (2009, 50 hour placement) Consett Academy , Durham (2017, 60 hour placement)
Other Placements and / or Employment in Schools	Whinfield Primary School , Darlington (2013-2014). Maternity Cover - Creative Movement Teacher Priory Woods SEND School , Middlesbrough (2015-2016). Sport England Funded Role - PE Teacher Ormesby Primary School , Middlesbrough (2016-2018). 2 years PT - Sports Coach Blackfell Primary School , Washington (2017). 6 months PT - Sports Coach Whalehill Primary School , Middlesbrough (2017-2018). 1 year PT - Sports Coach

The strengths I have within my main subject area:

Personal Strengths	NGB/Other Coaching Awards	Teaching Strengths
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Captained majority of the sports teams I participated in through school, then went on to captain my tennis team at university• Attended the English Schools' Cross-Country Championships in 2003 and 2004• Competed in England Athletics County Championships for 80-metre hurdles in 2004• Taught gymnastics and water sports activities (paddle boarding, sailing, canoeing, kayaking) at a Summer Camp in America for 3 summers• At present I am the team captain of my netball team• I currently coach tennis at Durham Moor Tennis Club to children and young adults aged 5-18	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Level 1 Assistant Gymnastics Coach (2005)• Level 3 Higher Sports Leaders Award (2007)• Level 2 Dodgeball (2014)• Level 2 Multi-Skills (2015)• Teaching Orienteering Part 1 (2015)• Sport Leaders Tutor Training Levels 1, 2 & 3 in Sport, Dance & Volunteering (2016)• Level 2 Certificate in Fitness Instructing (2016)• Non-Contact Boxing Tutor (2016)• Level 2 Understanding Health Improvement (2016)• Level 2 Tennis Coaching (2017)• CPD Award in Cardio Tennis (2018)• Teachers Trampoline Award Level 1 & 2 (2018)• STA Level 2 Safety Award for Teachers in Lifesaving & Personal Survival (2018)• School Teachers Foundation Certificate in Swimming (2018)• CPD Award in Teaching Parkour/Free Running (2018)• Introduction to Teaching Handball (2019)• Level 1 Frisbee (2019)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strong subject knowledge in a range of sports, including; tennis, gymnastics, netball, athletics and rounders• Sound understanding of theory PE in GCSE and A' Level. Experience in delivery of BTEC at KS4 and KS5• Being able to distil complex ideas into easily followed steps• Knowledge of the cognitive, social and emotional development of students and how this can affect the speed at which they progress

My personal skills and qualities:

I now recognise that becoming a PE teacher is where my passion and interest lies. My friendly personality makes me a very approachable person and provides me with the ability to develop relationships quickly with students and other members of staff. I have become a more confident and competent teacher in the delivery of age and level appropriate lessons ensuring that delivery will not only progress them but engage the students in developing new skills and experience a wide range of activities and sports. I am highly motivated and enthusiastic with the ability to adapt myself to differing situations, and I wish to continue learning and developing my personal skills. Using patience, key communication and imagination means I work well in a team and willingness to reflect gives me the chance to always improve on my abilities. Working in physically and mentally demanding roles, over the last few years, has provided me with experiences that are invaluable in developing my interpersonal and organisational skills, resilience and confidence. My main aim in life is to become a highly effective teacher due to the satisfaction of acting as a role model for children and young adults and guiding them successfully through education.

My other interests and hobbies:

I enjoy playing netball in my free time, which usually involves one training session plus a match each week. I also play tennis as well as coaching it at weekends. Any other free time I have, when I'm not working at Durham Castle for Durham University, I try and spend exploring new places with family, my partner and my two young nieces. As well as taking part in sport, I have a keen interest in travelling; seeing new places and meeting new people. This started in 2011 when I decided to head to North America to work as a Summer Camp Counsellor. While I was there, I was lucky enough to coach tennis to the Obama daughters whilst Barak Obama was in Office.

Preferred location:

North East