



SWIFT Teacher Training | About me

Phil Atherton Secondary Curriculum Design Physics	
Name	Phil Atherton
Role	Head of Physics
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Phase	Secondary
Subject Taught	Physics, Science
Subject / Phase Designed	Secondary Curriculum Design Lead for Physics
About me	29 years in teaching Senior Teacher Fellow for the Ogden Trust Early Career Physics Teacher mentor for the Ogden Trust Head of Science + Maths at an International School in Malaysia Assistant Principal, Head of 6 th Form
Physics is special because:	Physics is arguably the most basic of the Natural Sciences. It is the foundation science that underpins the other science, technological and engineering disciplines. Physics helps us to understand how our world works, from the smallest particles to great clusters of galaxies beyond our imagination. In Physics we examine how energy and matter interact and develop rules which can be applied to gain a deeper understanding of our universe. Alongside this you will focus on your ability to communicate





	key physics skills and concepts, to enable you to inspire our young minds in the classroom."
Train / Work Somewhere Special	There is a national shortage of great Physics teachers and being able to work with trainee teachers and offer a school-based training course into the profession that is developed by teachers, delivered by teachers, for teachers, is an amazing privilege. Without great Physics teachers, where will the next generation of Physicists and Engineers come from?
Work Somewhere Special	I get to pass my passion for Physics on to the next generation I get to make a difference to the lives of many children Every day is unique and something will always make me laugh
Live Somewhere Special	My other passion is golf, so a trip to any of Devon's outstanding golf courses is a real treat. I can definitely recommend Okehampton Golf Club, where I have been a member for over 20 years.