

# BILL GRIFFITHS

Headteacher, educational consultant

Leadership mentor for early education and basic education



**Bill is also husband of Cathy and father of two and he has Frankie, the cocker spaniel.**

Bill taught in six inner cities schools, middle and primary. He was a headteacher for 26 years but from 2000 he also was an LA advisor, Leadership consultant, Remodelling Workforce consultant and Basic Skills assessor. Bill had six very successful Ofsted inspections in urban, deprived areas with his last school receiving the Outstanding judgement. He was ranked top school improvement advisor as a National Leader (NLE) by Leicestershire Authority. He worked successfully with over 60 schools in 3 authorities.

His school won many awards including best in the UK for outdoor learning innovations. In 2013 he initiated collaborative working with Finland by leading a research project into Mathematics involving the Trust he led and

another local one. This led to strong collaboration work with Seppo Ryösä and an Erasmus+-project linking 4 cities looking at improving outcomes and well-being for children. Since then Bill has lectured, mentored and advised Finnish colleagues in a number of cities.

Many UK colleagues have benefited from these international projects by extending leadership skills, raising awareness of well-being and gaining valuable insights into the complexities of education. Mentoring and developing leadership at all levels is not a quick fix but essential for the future of education in every country.

Bill has been innovative throughout his career and remained resolute and passionate about his child centred educational principles.