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HEADTEACHER

# Edith Kerrison Nursery School and Children's Centre

## Nursery School Context

Located in Custom House, Edith Kerrison Nursery School serves a vibrant community navigating significant socio-economic challenges. The nursery provides a crucial safety net, offering integrated support that addresses local pressures on housing and income. Through its "Together We Play, Talk, Listen, and Learn" philosophy, the school fosters a nurturing oasis where communication and emotional well-being are prioritised, ensuring every child thrives regardless of their starting point. Together we build strong foundations for life-long learning.

## What we specialise in:

**A Foundation of Belonging:** A "CommunityFirst" model treating belonging as the bedrock of learning. Empowering families as co-educators, we leverage deep local connections as a primary catalyst for EYFS development.

**The Environment as Third Teacher:** Sensory-rich indoor and outdoor spaces inspiring curiosity, creativity, independence, resilience, "intelligent risk" and self-regulation.

**Responsive, Play-Led Pedagogy:** Transforming unique interests into ambitious learning opportunities that drive emotional well-being and measurable development.

## Headteacher Profile

As Headteacher, it is my privilege to lead Edith Kerrison Nursery and Children's Centre, the vibrant heart of the Custom House community. My leadership philosophy is built on fostering a true sense of belonging, where parents are essential partners and children remain at the centre of our work.

I believe early childhood is a time to feel safe, to explore freely, and to be truly known. I am passionate about inclusive education and learning without limits.



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