



### MEET MISS BAKER, NQT



**What did you look for in a school when starting out, and why did Sexey's fit the bill?**

I looked for a school with a similar ethos to me, which is student-centred and develops students holistically.

I remember that I knew as soon as I arrived for interview that Sexey's was the school for me. I felt welcomed straight away and the school was unique to any school I had been in before. The students were well-presented, polite and confident. I remember thinking in my interview lesson how teachable and enthusiastic the students were.



**What advice would you give to teachers beginning their careers?**

Go into the staffroom and make friends. I feel so lucky for my colleagues at Sexey's and how they have supported me through hard times and celebrated my successes with me.

Be a stickler for the rules - stick to the behaviour system and it will make teaching easier. The system at Sexey's allows you to do this with ease.



**What training is made available to you at Sexey's and why has that been especially useful?**

There's a regular training programme but I especially enjoyed having someone from the police come in and talk to us about contextual safeguarding.

I also enjoy the school practice of having a school teach meet where teachers share their own ideas of good practice. It's important to learn from colleagues who have been teaching for a long time.



**What's great about Bruton?**

Bruton is a really cool little town, with some good places to eat and live music scene.

Staff often go out on a Friday to the local pub and also do staff fitness after school.

We're close to Bristol and Bath so also go out at the end of term to celebrate. There's plenty to do when you're not having to lesson plan or write up feedback!