



<b>Name:</b>	Natasha Barstow
<b>Role:</b>	Assistant Principal
<b>Areas of responsibility:</b>	Behaviour, Climate and Culture for Key Stage 4
Please provide some information about what you do within your role at the Academy?	
When did you join the Academy and in what role?	
Easter 2008. I joined as a PE teacher.	
Why did you apply for your role at Corby Business Academy?	
I applied at the academy as I was looking to move up to the midlands. I knew a little about the history of why the academy was built.	
Please provide more information about your background and experience, including previous roles and the year you went into Teaching/Education:	
I went to school in Farnham, Surrey, All Hallows RC School. It was there that I knew I wanted to become a PE teacher. The PE department inspired me to work with children. I played rugby at college and went on to play for four years at the university of Chichester. I was lucky enough to play against Welsh and English international athletes. My degree is in Physical Education and Secondary QTS. My first job was at Farnham Heath End School where I taught PE and led the duke of Edinburgh award scheme. I have worked at CBA for 16 years and have taught PE, Public Services, Personal Development and Health and Social Care. I have also been a head of year for the past 4 years. My biggest achievement is working with my year group to ensure they have the best possible opportunities and development.	
Why did you want a career in teaching and to work in the education sector?	
My PE teachers at secondary school and my school life inspired me to become a teacher and want to work with young people.	
Why specifically did you want to become a Senior Leader?	
I did not exactly have the ambition to become part of the SLT team, however the need changed in staffing and an exciting opportunity to be a part of a change in behaviour, climate, and culture.	
What skills and expertise do you need that you bring to your role?	
You need to be organised, resilient and be able to work with others well.	
What are your personal aims/goals/achievements that you hope to achieve in your role at the Academy?	
I want to be a part of the team that bring pastoral care together to ensure that every child is cared for in the way that works best for them.	
What things have you implemented so far in your role and what has been the impact/effect?	
I have worked closely with Key Stage Four heads of year and the assistant head of year 11. I have supported in the development of the inclusion team who have had a direct impact on suspension numbers this year. I have been a part of the team that have led a no phones policy that has had a positive impact on the learning environment.	
Please provide some information about some of the current projects/area of focus you are concentrating on and detail how this supports your overall aims/goals/achievement as well as the impact you hope to achieve/the improvements you hope to make from these:	
I am currently working on a rewards pilot scheme to look at how we celebrate achievement and successes both in and out of the academy.	
What do you enjoy most about working at the Academy as well as your role?	
The students. The students make the academy what it is. With all of the challenges and obstacles in society, they students make every difficult day worthwhile.	
What positive changes have you seen throughout your time at Corby Business Academy?	



I have seen a lot of changes whilst working at the academy. Positive changes have come through the development of the robust behaviour systems in place and the team that have grown and developed.

In your opinion, what are the strengths of the Academy?

The care that is provided for the students.

Please add any additional comments you wish to make or feel are relevant: