

Vicky Biu - Acting Senior Educational Psychologist

Who am I: My name is Victoria Biu. I work as an Acting Senior Educational Psychologist.

What do I do: I provide consultations, assessment, and training on a traded basis to a range of mainstream and specialist education settings. I also offer psychological advice as part of the statutory assessment process.

My role also comprises of providing preventative support to the local authority where I oversee the implementation of nurture groups in North Somerset, offering supervision to nurture leads and headteachers. More recently, I have begun working with the School Placement Support Team offering individual supervision and systemic support.

Alongside this role, I also work part-time as an Academic and Professional Tutor on the Cardiff DEdPsy course where for the past three years I have lectured on children's social and emotional development and supervised doctoral-level research.

What is important to me: I believe that children and young people have the capacity to make positive changes in their life. This is why when working with families and schools I prioritise capturing the voice of the child/young person to ensure they are central to the process of decision-making. To achieve this I use creative, person-centred models of consultation that ensures that a shared understanding of the problem is established, key change issues are identified, and everyone's intention and ability to facilitate change is considered.

Important areas of interest to me are identity, the promotion of anti-discriminatory practice, and supporting children and young people from diverse cultural backgrounds. This area of interest has led me to develop bespoke equality and diversity training packages for SENCos and wider school staff.

Outside of work I enjoy listening to live music, trying new recipes, and learning how to strength train.



Publications

Reflections on my work with bilingual children - edpsy.org.uk · APPEAL - Assessment and Pupil Profiling for EAL Pupils. | [Right Choice \(wiltshire.gov.uk\)](http://RightChoice.wiltshire.gov.uk)

