

## Nazia Jabeen

'I was born and raised in Stoke-on-Trent and have attended both Alexandra Infants and Junior Schools as a child. I have very fond memories of my time there.

My parents came to the UK in the 1970s. They taught me the value of education, themselves not having had the opportunity to acquire this, as children. I hold dear to me their words, that "without an education you can achieve in life, but education is the key to opening more doors for you in the long run." With education comes opportunities and knowledge, and as we know, knowledge is power. I have always worked in a people focused arena and I recognise the pressures and challenges faced by our families in our community. A 'one size fits all' approach is not appropriate. I am passionate about encouraging our children and families to achieve their potential and I would like to use the skills and experiences I have gained over the years to support with this.'

