



Head Teacher Joan Deslandes featured in the *Evening Standard's* 1000 'London's Most Influential People'

For the second year running, Joan Deslandes, Head Teacher of Kingsford Community School has been included in the *Evening Standard's* '1000 London's Most Influential People' list 2008.

Featured in the Education section of the list, she shares column space with dignitaries such as Lord Adonis, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Schools, Anthony Little, Head Teacher of Eton College and Olympian Dame Kelly Holmes as a highly regarded and respected figures who has made a positive impact in the Education field.

The list, published once a year describes Ms Deslandes as a "visionary leader" who, as well as leading the school through many traumatic incidents, has managed to form groundbreaking collaborations with a top private school (Brighton College) while pioneering compulsory Mandarin lessons in the curriculum.

Joan has moved up from the *up and coming* section, where she was featured last year. Her persistent efforts in taking Kingsford forward with her pioneering and successful methods is fully deserved of this recognition and more than earns Joan a place on the list.



After hearing of being included yet again, Joan commented "I am proud to be Head Teacher of a school with wonderful staff, governors, students and parents. It is again a privilege to be regarded alongside such well revered figures in the Educational field. This type of recognition only fuels my drive for further achievements and success at Kingsford"

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