



# Meet the tutor Billy Carrick

## Years of education expertise

From 2017 to September 2025, I worked at a secondary school, initially joining as a learning support assistant, working with children with special educational needs and learning difficulties.

My passion for pastoral support grew, prompting me into the role of pastoral assistant, working closely with students and their families to address emotional and social issues. I was then promoted to pastoral liaison officer, coordinating support services and fostering strong relationships with external agencies. I then become the designated safeguarding lead, ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students, implementing safeguarding policies and training staff to recognise and respond to concerns effectively.

While I greatly valued the impact I made at the school, I was eager to explore opportunities that would allow me to support young people on a broader scale.

#### **Education with a difference**

As a one-to-one tutor with CF, I'm scheduled to complete 2 to 3 hour sessions with young people aged between 11 and 16 years old. Depending on the interest of that young person, we'll look to complete activities for engagement, such as football, bowling, and games, while also completing some academic work.

In doing this, you develop a professional relationship with young people that supports their educational attainment but also their social, emotional and mental health.

## Making an impact

I enjoy working with young people who require bespoke education support, as it can be personally rewarding. You can make a real difference in the lives of families and young people by providing them with the tools to achieve success in more ways than just academic education.

For example, I've been working with a young man who hasn't engaged in any education for the past four years. He was unable to work in a mainstream schooling environment due to his behavioural choices and personal challenges. However, over time, we've developed a solid rapport, which has resulted in increased engagement levels, along with improved career prospects and resilience in so many areas.

### A great team

I love working at CF. I left the secondary school to further my mission to empower and support young people and that's what I'm doing here. It's a pleasure to be part of a company where you feel so supported and valued. There is a real sense of community and togetherness here at CF. I would absolutely recommend others to work at CF Education.