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ARCADIA GLOBAL SCHOOL

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Andrew Wilson – Founding Principal

Andrew Wilson is an experienced educational leader in the UK and UAE, with a strong background in school leadership, student development, and teacher support. As the Founding Principal of Arcadia Global School (AGS) and former Deputy CEO of Westminster School Sharjah (WSS), he has led large-scale school operations, improved student outcomes, and built high-performing teams. Under his leadership, AGS became the largest primary school opening in KHDA history, and WSS achieved record-breaking A-level results and top UAE school ratings.

Andrew's career includes key roles in both education and corporate leadership:

Career summary

- **Founding Principal**, Arcadia Global School (2022–Present) – Led the establishment of AGS, ensuring a strong focus on academics, values-based education and high parent satisfaction.
- **Deputy CEO & Vice Principal**, Westminster School Sharjah (2013–2022) – Focused on curriculum development, teacher training, and student achievement.
- **Assistant Principal**, Jumeirah College Dubai (2011–2013) – Oversaw academic departments and pastoral care, contributing to the school's 'Outstanding' KHDA rating.
- **Head of Geography & Director of Teaching & Learning**, Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School (2004–2011, UK) – Named UK National Award-Winning Teacher by the Good Schools Guide for best A-level value-added results (2009). Led overseas expeditions and developed enrichment programs. Outstanding rated department.
- **Production and Maintenance Team Leader**, Nestlé Rowntree (1997–1999, UK) – Gained leadership and operations management experience in a corporate setting.

Andrew is committed to student & teacher wellbeing, teacher & leader development, and school improvement. He works closely with staff to create safe, supportive learning environments with a focus on Character Development, Wellbeing and Values and ensures high standards in education. His focus on teamwork, clear communication, and strong leadership makes him a valuable contributor to school inspections and educational oversight.

Qualifications and Leadership

BA (Hons) **Geography** and another in **Business and Marketing Management**.

PGCE Secondary Geography.

iPGCE Educational Leadership.

National Professional Qualification Headship (NPQH).

Full UAE Leadership License.

BSO PENTA Level 2 (School Inspector)

Teaching & Learning Governor for Arcadia Education.

22 years Teaching and leadership experience in UK and UAE.

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