

Mike Davies: NATD Trustee

Mike Davies is a founder of both Human Scale Education and the British Curriculum Foundation which he chaired for fifteen years.

He is former head teacher. His first Headship was at Stantonbury Campus in the 1980s, Milton Keynes where he continued to develop an innovative period of curriculum and pedagogic reform. He then moved on to Stranraer in Scotland, before leading a radical phase in the life of Telegraph Hill, a comprehensive school in the London borough of Lewisham. Finally, he set up a new, purpose-built school on the Essex coast. With Mike, Bishops Park College became unique as a truly radical state school. Built as three 'schools within a school', his vision was of an egalitarian community where students found and grew their talents and self-esteem, their pride and their dignity.

In each of these schools the arts, and especially drama, played a fundamental role as a means of accessing, imagining and exploring ideas in novel ways as well as beings areas of exploration in their own right.