



AMPLEFORTH COLLEGE

New Staff 2023



Eric Knutsen
Head of Computer Science

Eric is a practising Catholic. American by birth, he settled in England following marriage in 1992.

He attributes his students' success in computer science to his BA in Classics (Latin, Greek and Sanskrit). He used varied programming languages to develop web-based systems for several schools. This work was reflected in his MSc in e-Learning, Multimedia and Consultancy (Sheffield Hallam University), completed in 2006.

Asking his students to be similarly inquisitive, many move onto careers in both the public and private scientific and computing sectors. Through project work, all progress to their next stage of life means they are prepared for client-facing developments.

Entering the vocation in 1999, Eric has managed and led at middle and senior levels, he was a Head Teacher at three special schools and has a strong track record in OFSTED inspections of both education and residential care settings. He attained his NPQH in 2022.

He is highly motivated to lead and teach computer science at Ampleforth, enabling success for the students, and sharing his interests, including music, art and scuba diving, with the College community.