

Olivera Raraty

GSA Representative & Former Headmistress of Malvern St James Girls' School

GSA and IDPE

Olivera Raraty is the former Headmistress at Malvern St James Girls' School (September 2016 - January 2024), a medium sized girls' day and boarding school (3-18) in Worcestershire. During her tenure she created a Development Office in 2018 to engage with stakeholders in the school community and to fundraise for bursaries and capital projects. She is GSA Representative on the IDPE Steering Group and is a passionate advocate for the transformative effects of quality education on a pupil's future life chances.

Very recently, Olivera was a Member of GSA Council, Chair and Secretary for the GSA Midlands Region of Heads between 2018-23, and a member of the GSA Membership and Accreditation Committee and the Future of Assessment Working Party.

Prior to that she was Senior Deputy Head at Notting Hill and Ealing High School, GDST, (4-18) and whilst there served on the ISC SEND Committee for several years. She is a History and Politics specialist and started her teaching career at Francis Holland School, Regent's Park. From there she went on to be Head of History and Politics at Wycombe Abbey School where she also gained experience in girls' boarding and joined the Senior Academic Leadership Team. She has a keen interest in the expressive arts.

Olivera has enjoyed a long full-time career in education, spanning 37 years, and now works as an education consultant supporting development work, an ISI Inspector, and as governor and trustee of two educational charities.

