

## **APPOINTMENT OF HISTORY TEACHER (Maternity Cover)**

### **Contextual**

This is a rare opportunity to join a growing History department in a lovely, successful school. The department is expertly led, has a great atmosphere and was proud to be commended for its practice during a 'deep dive' in our recent OFSTED inspection. Inspectors commented on the consistently strong level of teaching and praised the work that has gone into reshaping our curriculum. You will struggle to find a better team to be part of.

We look forward to welcoming an enthusiastic, well-qualified colleague, who will work with us to build on our established strengths and make a significant contribution to the continuing success of the Faculty and School. We are looking for a teacher of History at all key stages with experience of A-level advantageous but not required.

### **The Humanities Faculty**

Within Humanities, we currently teach GCSE History, Citizenship, Geography, French and Spanish. SPHERE is also taught to all students in Years 7 – 11 and comprises a blend of RE, PSHE and Citizenship. At A Level, we offer Geography, History and Sociology.

Further information about specific courses, and exam boards, for each of the subjects we offer is available on the School web site or on request.

We currently number 18 staff across 4 main subject teams. We are looking to appoint 3 new colleagues within the Faculty this year. Each subject team is headed by a Subject Leader. There is a Humanities Curriculum Leader responsible for the Faculty as a whole, and the Faculty as a whole benefits from a number of experienced colleagues with whole-school leadership roles who will take a keen interest in supporting you.

### **The Facilities**

There are currently 13 Humanities classrooms. All classrooms have a projector and audio facilities. In addition, it is possible to book computer rooms as needed. We occupy 2 'resource bases' where staff have access to quiet working areas, and other resources. The School is in the process of expanding the building, and Humanities will acquire a number of new classrooms as part of that expansion.

### **Curriculum**

All lessons are 1 hour long and there are 5 in a day.

Humanities is delivered as a combined subject for 8 periods per fortnight in Year 7, incorporating Geography, History and SPHERE.

In Year 8, students have 3 Geography, 3 History, 2 SPHERE, and 5 MFL lesson each fortnight. We run a 2-year KS3 model with students selecting options prior to the start of Year 9.

GCSE Options subjects (History, Citizenship, Geography, Sociology, French and Spanish) are allocated 3 lessons per fortnight in Year 9 and 4 lessons per fortnight in Years 10 and 11 after a further Options process at the end of Year 9.

At A Level, students take 3 subjects from the start of Year 12. In Humanities, we offer History, Geography, and Sociology.

### **Extra-Curricular**

The school offers a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities, and any new member of staff would be most welcome to take part in the existing extra-curricular provision or offer other opportunities for students. There are a number of visits and residential trips offered by the Humanities Faculty, and the successful candidate would be expected to contribute to the running of some of these.

The role within the Humanities team is one which we hope will also give the successful candidate the chance to progress their own career and development, and we look forward to appointing someone who will play a leading role in the Faculty and School.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Mr Luke Bolton  
Humanities Curriculum Leader  
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