



# Teacher of History for one year from September 2018

## The School

Founded in 1590, the school occupies a tight city centre site. Currently there are 590 pupils in the Senior School (11-18) and about 100 in the Junior School (7-11). The majority of boys in Year 11 transfer to the Sixth Form which is co-educational and numbers 180. Recent developments have included a new Sixth Form centre and refurbishing of the science department. A new suite of science labs (Biology) opened on the site along with an extension to the Art department, and internal reorganisation will soon create more space for Design Technology and Music.

Away from the school, QEHB owns extensive playing fields at Failand which are occupied jointly with Bristol City Football Club to the benefit of both parties.

The school is academically selective in a very competitive market and numbers have increased over the last ten years. During that time, the quality of pupils entering the school has certainly been maintained. For the first time in the school's history, we moved to a four form entry into Year 7 in 2012 because of the pressure of numbers and this was repeated in 2015. From a point of obvious strength, the school decided to admit girls to the sixth form from September 2017. In September 2018, there will be four forms again in Year 7 and record numbers in the sixth form.

QEHB is regularly the top performing day School in Bristol and usually leads the local value-added table. Indeed in 2011, QEHB came in the top ten nationally for value-added between GCSE and A level. *Country Life* has recently listed QEHB as one of the top 20 Day Schools in the country. About 10% of students receive Oxbridge offers and a similar number go on to medical schools. Most candidates leave for a Russell Group University (or equivalent).

## The Department

The History and Politics department, led by Mr Adam Calder, is a strong department within the school, producing excellent results and inspiring students to go on to read these subjects at leading universities. History is compulsory up to Year 9 and the vast majority continue on to IGCSE where we follow the Cambridge (CIE) 'Modern World History: Option B 20<sup>th</sup> Century' course.

At A Level, numbers are also strong and we currently teach the following combination of topics following AQA's new linear syllabus: the English Civil War, 1625-1660 and American History, 1865-1975 (with coursework on the causes of the US Civil War). Politics is a popular option at both AS and A2 Level with students achieving excellent results. We are currently following the AQA syllabus.

The department is located in well-equipped classrooms in the main teaching block and departmental resources are excellent. There are many trips, some voluntary, to places of historical and political interest in Britain, Europe and the US.

There are four full-time and two part-time teachers of History, and three members of the Senior Management Team currently teach within the department.

The post is initially for one year and there might be a possibility of a permanent position beyond that.

## **Candidate Profile**

We seek a well-qualified graduate, who will bring an enthusiastic approach to the teaching of history. Some politics teaching might be available for a suitably qualified candidate.

## **Remuneration**

QEH staff are paid on the QEH teaching scale. In addition a QEH allowance (currently £1818) may be paid in recognition of a substantial extra-curricular contribution.

A staff fee remission is available for pupils at Queen Elizabeth's Hospital and for girls at The Redmaids' High School.

## **Application Procedure**

Candidates must complete the application form and also submit a full curriculum vitae, letter of application and details of two referees to: The Headmaster, Queen Elizabeth's Hospital, Berkeley Place, Clifton, Bristol BS8 1JX.

Queen Elizabeth's Hospital is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure and Barring Service.

The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 2 May** and interviews will be held on **Wednesday 9 May** (provisional date). Applicants will be expected to teach a trial lesson (details of which can be discussed in advance).