

Teacher of Geography

Post	Teacher of Geography
Type of Contract:	Full time / 1 Year Fixed Term Contract
Salary/Scale:	MPS/UPS
Start Date:	September 2018
Closing Date for Applications:	9am Friday 15th June 2018
Interview Date:	Week Commencing 18th June 2018

The Humanities Team

The Humanities team is a supportive, self-reflective group. Our focus is on dynamic and varied teaching and learning strategies to keep students at the heart of everything we do. The team is varied both in terms of experience and responsibility within the department and across whole school roles. We engage students in challenging and demanding issues and thrive on the sharing of ideas whilst retaining an individualised approach to teaching for the best outcomes for each class and student. The department benefits from excellent ICT provision, there are interactive whiteboards in every classroom and we have two portable trolleys of laptops to enhance teaching and learning for students in Humanities. The layout of the department also facilitates a wide range of teaching and learning activities, there is a large communal space which can be used for role-play, investigations and team teaching, as well as for more active, physical approaches to learning.

The focus on student experience has led the department to be involved in a wide range of external projects, we have in the past achieved UNESCO school status through our work on cultural heritage in the "Wall to Wall" project and we regularly play a pivotal role in North Tyneside's Holocaust Memorial Day. Fieldwork plays an important role in our teaching, both in a local and national context.

Take up of Humanities options at GCSE level is regularly high and we expect it to reach 75% of the cohort for next year. Humanities subjects at Key Stage 5 are also well subscribed and there are opportunities for all to teach across the three key stages we cover. Geography, History and RE/Ethics are currently taught as discrete subjects in year 9, and we have developed project based learning in year 7 combined Humanities. We offer GCSEs in Geography, History and RE/Ethics and Sociology, and Geography, History and Sociology are offered for AS and A2 level courses.

Our overriding ethos is to concentrate on what is best for individual students given their potential, enthusiasms and aspirations. If you have ambition for all students, a can do attitude and a willingness to develop and help others to do the same then we'd love to hear from you. We would be keen to welcome to our team a teacher who is consistently prepared to support team developments and changes.

Your letter of application

Please use the information to outline your strengths and teaching philosophy. You should also say how you could contribute to the development of Humanities teaching at Burnside College.