HUMANITIES FACULTY

Thank you for your interest in the advertised post of Teacher of History here at Penwortham Priory Academy, and we look forward to welcoming your application.

The Humanities Faculty here at Priory currently consists of four members of full-time teaching staff, each taking responsibility for their own department; Geography, History and RE with The Head of Humanities being responsible for, and overseeing the overall lead and outcomes of the faculty. The History post will secure a position working with our Lead History Teacher, boosting the team to five colleagues.

We are an innovative and inclusive faculty, committed to delivering high quality teaching for our students. Our strong team ethos and highly dedicated and committed staff offer our students the opportunity to study a range of academic subjects at Key Stages 3 & 4, in addition to further opportunities within and outside of the school day. At KS3 the faculty consists of the Geography, History and Religious Education departments, with GCSE's offered in both Geography and History at KS4.

The faculty is located in the newly built and modern Humanities Suite, situated right at the heart of the Priory grounds. There is a large faculty office with workspace and ICT provision, and four large teaching classrooms, all well-resourced with textbooks, revision guides, resource sheets, audio-visual equipment and ICT provision.

Having taught for 10 years, I myself have only recently joined Priory on our ***Journey to Great*** within the last 18 months. Our sole aim is to prepare each and every individual for the world outside of Priory, and raise achievement and attainment so that all our students can evolve, in order that they leave us with a currency that assists them in moving on to great things. I am committed to the challenge of leading the Humanities Faculty here at Priory and driving our team forward on our journey.

Our main area of focus in the immediate future is to establish and revise new rigorous systems of monitoring and tracking across Geography, History and RE to identify key gaps in student knowledge so that we can target focussed areas to help our students achieve the best possible outcomes. With new GCSE specifications, and the recent integration of PiXL strategies, we are looking to build on previous successes to make the Humanities Faculty even stronger.

All subject areas within the faculty make a significant contribution to the school's strong PSHEE programme and to a number of extra-curricular activities. The Humanities Faculty has a very successful record of providing students with enhancement opportunities arranging trips to destinations including the Isle of Wight, Belgium and Italy.

As our *journey to great* continues, we seek to appoint a dedicated and enthusiastic individual to the History Department, partaking in our shared vision of positivity and commitment to drive academic success for all our students. The successful candidate will be an excellent classroom practitioner, will be passionate about History Education and be willing to go the extra mile to ensure pupils achieve their full potential.

The next few years will be a very exciting time as we grow and develop together in our vibrant and ambitious school with a culture of high expectations.

I look forward to your application,

Mr Peter Metcalfe
Head of Humanities