

AMDG



Teacher of English

STONYHURST

AN INTRODUCTION TO STONYHURST COLLEGE



Stonyhurst is a Catholic, Jesuit, HMC (Headmasters' and Headmistresses' Conference), independent boarding and day school for boys and girls from 3 to 18. At the College, there are almost 500 pupils aged 13-18, over two thirds of whom are boarders. At Stonyhurst St Mary's Hall, the adjacent preparatory school, there are about 260 pupils aged 3-13. The College is in stunning countryside, near the Ribble and Hodder rivers and the beautiful Trough of Bowland. Manchester is only about an hour away by road or rail. The market town of Clitheroe is 4 miles away, and we are 12 miles from the city of Preston. The Lake District can be reached in about an hour, and the Yorkshire Dales are even closer.

Stonyhurst has a fascinating heritage, being the oldest continuously existing Jesuit school in the world. It was founded in St Omers, northern France, in 1593, and moved to its present site in Lancashire's beautiful Ribble Valley in 1794. The original quadrangle at the centre of the College is part of a 16th century mansion, donated to Stonyhurst at the beginning of the 19th century by Mr Thomas Weld of Lulworth. Throughout the years of religious persecution in England, Stonyhurst educated boys from Roman Catholic families. In 1996, Stonyhurst became fully coeducational, and today it educates boys and girls from Catholic families, and also those of other denominations.

The College's Jesuit mission and identity, and its sense of community, set Stonyhurst apart from other schools. Pupils are urged to do as much as they can for other people following the example of Jesus Christ, 'the Man for others'.



THE FACULTY

The English Faculty holds a special position at Stonyhurst College given the school's rich literary heritage. Whether it be Baskerville Hall in Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's *The Hound of the Baskervilles*, the Shire in J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings* or the natural beauty captured in the poetry of Gerard Manley Hopkins, Stonyhurst and its surroundings are part of the landscape of our literary history.

Currently, the Faculty follows the Edexcel IGCSE courses for English Language and English Literature and also offers the IGCSE English Language course in a year for our Pre IB pupils. In the sixth form, both IB (Higher and Standard Level) and A Level (Edexcel English Literature) are offered.



Results in the Faculty are strong and continue to improve.

- IGCSE 2018 English Language 75% grades 9-7
- IGCSE 2018 English Literature 71% grades 9-7
- A Level English Literature 100% pass rate, 67% A*-C

The Faculty is particularly involved in the wider life of the school running several creative writing competitions, debating, public speaking, Schools' Challenge and the Oxbridge Reading Group.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

Teachers in the English Faculty are expected to:

- Actively promote the Stonyhurst ethos as set out in the College Mission Statement.
- Teach a full teaching load.
- Contribute to the smooth running of the Faculty as required by the Head of Faculty.
- Contribute to the games and/or co-curricular programme.
- Play a full part in boarding pastoral care, usually as a member of a Playroom or House team.
- Provide tutorial support as tutor to a group of pupils.
- Invigilate public examinations as required.
- Cover for absent staff as required.
- Attend whole school events such as assemblies, school masses, etc.
- Attend parent events such as Parents' Weekends, Great Academies, etc.
- Complete one or more weekly studies supervisions.
- Complete one or more other weekly staff duties.



In addition, the successful candidate must:

- Be entitled to work and reside in the UK.
- Have an excellent employment record.
- Have excellent references.
- Be committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people.
- The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced DBS check.

PERSON SPECIFICATION



The successful candidate will be enthusiastic and hard-working with a high level of emotional intelligence. He/she will have strong communication skills and the ability to build good relationships with pupils, parents and staff. He/she will have a strong commitment to the College's mission and identity as set out in the College mission statement, and they are also likely to demonstrate all of the following:

- Personal academic credibility.
- A genuine passion for teaching English.
- A focus on academic excellence, with the desire and ability to get things done in a timely, professional manner.
- A genuine enjoyment of working with others for the betterment of young people.
- A commitment to safeguarding the welfare of young people.
- Very strong organisational skills.
- The ability to work under pressure, balancing a number of commitments.
- The ability to work as part of a team.
- A positive approach to problem-solving.
- A positive mindset.
- A commitment to all-round education.



TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

Salary

The salary will be commensurate with the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate.

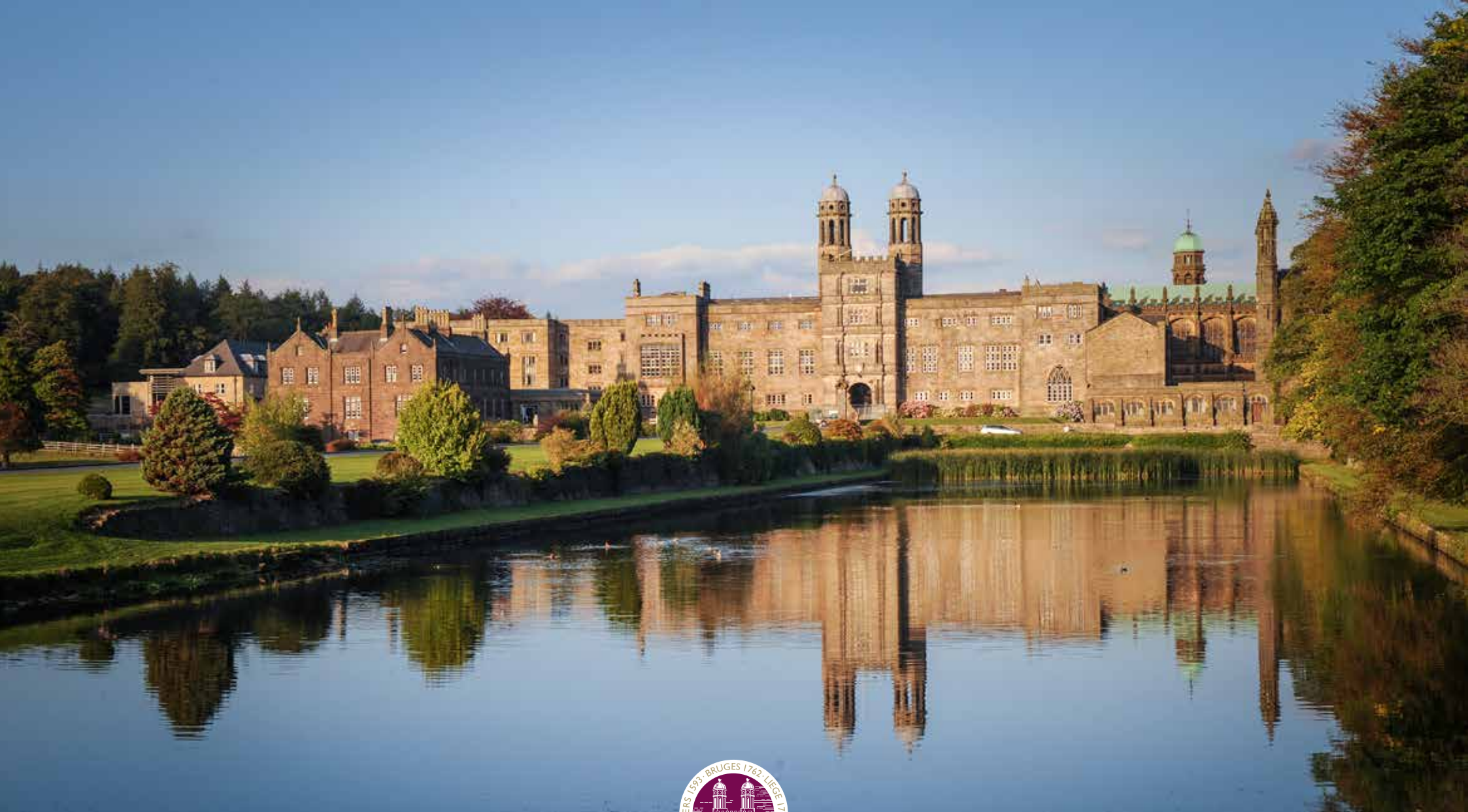
Weekly Commitment

This is a full-time position within a busy boarding school and lessons are timetabled over six days, Monday to Saturday. In addition to academic teaching there is an expectation that staff will be involved in the wider life of the school.



Further Questions

If you have any questions or would like to have an informal conversation about this role please contact David Leigh, Head of Faculty of English at dj.leigh@stonyhurst.ac.uk or telephone 01254 826345.



STONYHURST

LDS