

Bow School Humanities Department

Our Vision

We believe that the Humanities subjects should fire our students' curiosity and imagination. We want to inspire them to engage with the dilemmas, choices and beliefs of people in the past and present, making them more curious about current issues and events. We believe that the Humanities subjects assist students in becoming questioning individuals who are confidently able to take part in a democratic society.

Curriculum

Key Stage 3

- History, Geography, Citizenship and R.E are taught as individual subjects in Year 9 with a clear focus on introducing the subject skills required at Key Stage 4. However, across Year 7 and Year 8 all Humanities subjects are delivered through a Humanities Curriculum. This curriculum reflects all the content and skills for each subject in the new National Curriculum requirements
- Pupils are assessed every half term. This is reported to parents and informs future planning.
- The department also teaches Philosophy for Children across Key Stage 3; an engaging and crosscurricular subject that all Humanities teachers are encouraged to take part in.

Key Stage Four

• At Key Stage 4, students may opt to study a range of core Humanities subjects, primarily Geography (Edexcel B), Modern History (Edexcel), Ancient History (OCR) and R.E. (Edexcel). This may soon include Citizenship too (Edexcel).

Key Stage Five

• The Humanities Department has a central role to play in Bow School's Sixth Form. We currently offer A-Levels in History, Philosophy, Psychology, Government & Politics and are hoping to introduce Ancient History and Geography next year. We are building links with local universities and organisations to enrich the experience of our sixth-formers.

Events and services:

• The department offers a range of extra-curricular opportunities including trips, student conferences, participation in local community organisations and politics, and clubs for our enthusiastic and gifted pupils

Humanities Department Staff:

The Department has recently really expanded and there is a range of support available;

Head of Humanities Faculty Lead Teacher for History & Deputy Head of Faculty Lead Teacher for RE & Philosophy & Deputy Head of Faculty Lead Teacher of Geography Teacher of History and Lead Teacher on Academic Literacy Teacher of Humanities, Year Learning Manager Teacher of Humanities Teacher of Geography Teacher of History

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