

# Prince Henry's Grammar School







# **Teacher of Geography**

# **INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS**

MPS/UPS

Fixed term until 31st August 2025 – 0.6FTE

Term Time only

Required from 1st January 2025



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Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at noon **Closing Date:** 

Week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024 **Selection Day:** 



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Thank you for your enquiry regarding this post.

Please look on the school's website <u>www.princehenrys.co.uk</u> for more information about the school and for relevant policies e.g. Child Protection etc.

You will find in this booklet:

- Information about the post
- Information from the headteacher
- Job Description
- Person Specification
- Guidance for completing the application form

If you have a disability and require this information in a different format, for example, Braille, larger print or on CD, please contact the HR Assistant at the school:

# hrs@princehenrys.co.uk

The closing date for applications is **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at noon**. Please note that it is our policy not to accept late applications. Shortlisting will commence immediately, and it is anticipated that interviews will be held in the **week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024.** 

Following the closing date, a recruitment panel will review the information provided and consider how well it matches the person specification. Shortlisted candidates will then be invited in for interview and references taken. On the interview day a number of sessions may be organised which may include completing a tour of the school, a classroom teaching observation, a written or data task, meeting with students or, dependent on the role, a combination of the above. The results of these sessions will inform the panel in their decision to take candidates through to a formal interview.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our students and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All appointments will be subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. Shortlisted candidates are also subject to a basic online search in line with KCSiE policy 2023.

We aim for diversity within our workforce. Applications are welcome from all, irrespective of sex, sexuality, race, religion, marital status, age, disability, pregnancy/maternity, gender identity or gender transition.

All Collaborative Learning Trust schools are non-smoking/vaping sites.

Please note it is the Trust's policy that reimbursement will not be made with regard to candidates' expenses.



# INFORMATION ABOUT THE POST

# **THE ROLE OF TEACHER OF GEOGRAPHY**

To teach KS3 & KS4 Geography, inspiring and motivating students. There may be some KS3 teaching across the other Humanities subjects. This post would be suitable for an ECT or a more experienced colleague.

# **HUMANITIES FACULTY**

This is a very well-respected faculty with a high profile in the school consisting of teachers of Geography, History, Politics, and Ethics, Philosophy and Religion (EPR). The Humanities Faculty has a cohesive and vibrant group of staff who share best practice and aim to drive up outcomes for students. The successful candidate will support this vision. The Faculty already has a proven track record of academic success and expects high standards from students and staff alike. There is a strong ethos of teamwork amongst its members and they meet regularly to share ideas, resources and expertise. There is a strong take-up of the faculty subjects at KS4 and KS5.

#### **GEOGRAPHY**

Geography has a track record of success at all key stages, but also ambition for further improvement, particularly with the consistently high number of students who opt to study the subject at KS4 and KS5. The Geography team works collaboratively to provide interesting and stimulating courses to enable all students to gain a better understanding of the world they live in and become active global citizens. There are high expectations of all students in terms of academic achievement and of conduct in a supportive, dynamic and engaging environment.

#### **Curriculum structure and content**

**Year 7:** All students study the subject for 3 lessons per fortnight in mixed ability format

**Year 8 & 9:** All students study the subject for 3 lessons per fortnight working within mixed ability groups. The course is designed to build progression and develop key skill areas

Years 10Students who have opted to study the subject at GCSE have 5 lessons per fortnight in each year. There are currently ten groups across KS4
Years 12A level courses in the subject are taught with each group having 9 lessons per fortnight

**Key Stage 3:** The Programme of Study covers a wide range of topics which aim to enthuse students about their natural and built environment at a range of scales from local to global. Topics covered also support students in developing a broad range of geographical and transferable skills.

**Key Stage 4:** The specification followed is AQA GCSE Geography. A range of resources and learning activities are used throughout the course. We also have the use of a bank of textbooks which have been specifically written for this course.

**Key Stage 5:** The specification followed at A Level is also AQA. Again, a range of resources and learning activities are used and we have the use of a bank of textbooks



which have been specifically written for the course. There is also a small library of relevant text books/resources within the faculty for the use of our Sixth Form students.

Fieldwork and skills-based work are seen as important to the geographical education of all students and there is work of this nature planned for each key stage. This is an area we are very keen to further develop. Perhaps the most exciting element of this nature of work is our biennial field trip to Iceland.

#### Resources

There are five specialist classrooms. Geography staff have worked collaboratively to develop a bank of resources for all units taught (electronic and paper-based resources) at KS3 and KS4, in line with National Curriculum and exam board requirements. We do, however, encourage individual members of staff to tailor lessons and resources to the needs of their specific classes and students. This includes customisation for ability groups and students with Special Educational Needs. At KS5 staff have developed their own resources based on exam board requirements and specialist areas.

# **HISTORY & POLITICS**

History and Politics courses are popular across all Key Stages. This is reflected in the large numbers of students opting to study GCSE history and history or politics in the Sixth Form. There are around 200 students studying History at KS4 and around 60 studying History and Politics at KS5. Many of our students elect to study History or Politics at university.

Curriculum s	tructure and content
Year 7:	All students study History for 3 lessons per fortnight in mixed ability format
Year 8 &	All students study History for 3 lessons per fortnight working within
9:	broad ability sets. The course is designed to build progression and develop key skill areas
Years 10-	Students who have opted to study History at GCSE have 5 lessons
11:	per fortnight in each year. There are currently nine groups across KS4
Years 12- 13:	A level courses in both History and Politics are taught with each group having 9 lessons per fortnight

**Key Stage 3 History:** We deliver a curriculum that closely follows the skills and knowledge set out in the National Curriculum, while also incorporating many of the values of the Schools History Project. The Scheme of Work is structured so that students explore six thematic aspects of history through a chronological journey. The themes that students study are: Power, Beliefs and Attitudes, Everyday lives, Conflict, Migration/British unity and identity, and Empires. Each thematic unit is focussed around the development of specific second order concepts. Assessments have been integrated that support both knowledge and second order skill development.

Key Stage 4 History: We follow the Edexcel specification with students having access to lesson resources on our virtual learning environment. The course includes Medicine with a focus on the historic environment of the British Sector of the Western Front, Weimar and Nazi Germany, Elizabeth I 1558-88 and the Cold War. The course has ambitious content and we also work hard to embed the skills students will need to access concepts, sources and interpretations of the past.



**Key Stage 5 History:** We deliver the AQA History A-level course with students studying the following modules: 1H Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855–1966, 2S The Making of Modern Britain, 1951–2007 and a historical investigation. Both of the taught units are worth 40% of the course and are taught over a two-year period and the historical investigation, which is worth 20%, is a 4,500-word essay on the student's own bibliography, primary evidence and historians' interpretations. Students are taught by the same member of staff over two years to provide continuity of feedback and support.

**Key Stage 5 Politics:** The A Level Politics course follows the AQA specification. Students explore the political landscape of Britain and the USA and work towards a comparison of the respective systems. At the same time, students are grounded in political theory by learning about key ideologies such as liberalism and feminism.

The History and Politics team plays a full role in wider whole school initiatives. For example, in November, every student in the school is taught about Remembrance in year group assemblies.

#### **Resources**

History and Politics have a suite of five classrooms. All rooms have data projectors and multimedia equipment and a wide range of electronic resources have been developed for these. There is an extensive collection of both printed and digital resources; many of the former are held in a specific Short Loans collection in the school library.

# **ETHICS, PHILOSOPHY and RELIGION**

Ethics, Philosophy and Religion is a thriving and popular subject across all key stages. Results have historically been good, particularly in terms of attainment and progress at A-level. An increasing number of students are opting for the subject at GCSE but there is scope for further improvement.

Year 7:	All students study the subject for 2 lessons per fortnight in mixed
	ability format
Year 8 &	All students study the subject for 2 lessons per fortnight working

**Year 8 &** All students study the subject for 2 lessons per fortnight working within broad ability sets. The course is designed to build progression and develop key skill areas

Years 10Students who have opted to study the subject at GCSE have 5 lessons per fortnight in each year. There are currently three groups across KS4. All students have 2 lessons per fortnight of PREP (Philosophy, Religion, Ethics and Public Citizenship)

**Years 12-** A level courses in the subject are taught with each group having 9 lessons per fortnight

**Key Stage 3:** The Programme of Study covers a wide range of broad themes which aim to develop students understanding of the Abrahamic religions initially before progressing to covering a wider range of worldviews and tackling philosophical and ethical questions.

**Key Stage 4:** For students opting for GCSE, the specification followed is AQA RS studying Islam and Christianity. A range of resources and learning activities are used throughout the course. The PREP programme of study covers a wide range of different topics and includes critical thinking and debating skills. The decision was made to move to non-examined RS to allow greater scope for staff to plan and deliver a really



exciting RS curriculum outside the confines of the GCSE specification, and to give students a broader understanding of the role religion has played in shaping the modern world, while allowing those who want to study the subject in depth to opt for the full course GCSE.

**Key Stage 5:** The specification followed at A Level is EDUQAS studying Philosophy, Ethics and Buddhism. It is a popular and successful course with over 25 students studying the A-level across the two year groups. Again, a range of resources and learning activities are used and we have the use of a bank of textbooks which have been specifically written for the course. There is also a small library of relevant text books/resources within the faculty for the use of our Sixth Form students.

# **Resources**

There are 3 specialist teaching rooms and a range of textbooks and artefacts to support the teaching of different religions. Each scheme of work is fully resourced with a range of resources to support teaching by specialists and non-specialists. Teachers are encouraged to adapt these if needed to meet the needs of their particular classes while still ensuring that crucial learning is covered.

# **Staffing Structure**

Faculty Leader

Area Leader (TLR2A) for Geography

Area Leader (TLR2A) for History

Area Leader (TLR2A) for Ethics, Philosophy and Religion

There are 17 specialist teachers within the Faculty, made up of 6 in Geography, 7 in History & Politics and 4 in Ethics, Philosophy and Religion





# INFORMATION ABOUT COLLABORATIVE LEARNING TRUST

Currently, the Trust comprises of:

- 1. Prince Henry's Grammar School, Otley, Leeds
- 2. Bramhope Primary School, Bramhope, Leeds
- 3. St Mary's Church of England Primary Academy, Hunslet, Leeds
- 4. Micklefield Church of England Primary Academy, Micklefield, Leeds
- 5. All Saints Church of England Primary School, Little Horton Green, Bradford
- 6. Trinity All Saints Church of England Primary School, Bingley
- 7. Ashfield Primary School, Otley, Leeds

#### **VISION**

The Collaborative Learning Trust will be recognised as a highly successful learning community that provides outstanding, sustainable, and inclusive 'nursery to 19' education for young people of all abilities. Students will leave Collaborative Learning Trust schools having enjoyed their education and developed into lifelong independent learners with the creativity, adaptability, resilience and leadership skills to contribute to, and succeed in, our 21st century society.

# Our vision is underpinned by the following values:

- Education for the common good of the whole community supporting the development of lifelong independent learners with the creativity, adaptability, resilience and leadership skills to contribute to society
- **Education for dignity and respect** a focus on equality for all, trust, integrity, respect and an appreciation of diversity
- Education for wisdom, knowledge and skills high quality teaching and learning designed to secure the 'all round' education of young people and engender a passion and enthusiasm for learning
- **Education for hope and aspiration** a culture of aspiration and success (in students, staff and governance)

# This will be achieved through:

- A commitment to a genuinely collaborative approach to ensure sustained school improvement towards the vision
- Strong ethical leadership and behaviour at all levels
- Autonomous ethos and identity for each school, whilst sharing core values and vision across both church and non-church schools
- Effective staff professional development and opportunities for excellent practitioners to develop their career

'We as a Trust have signed up to the Yorkshire and Humber climate action pledge, making a commitment to protecting the climate and nature'



# **COLLABORATIVE LEARNING TRUST EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

The Collaborative Learning Trust promotes employee wellbeing across all of our schools. Our well-being charter defines well-being as "The State of being comfortable, healthy and happy". We understand that the responsibility for well-being is shared across all members of our community and it aligns perfectly with the values of our Trust.

One of the many ways we implement this is through our fantastic employee benefits, which include:

# **Employee Assistance Programme:**

A 24/7 confidential advice and counselling helpline available at no cost to all employees.

#### **Pension Scheme:**

We offer a fantastic teaching and support staff pension scheme.

# **Cycle to work scheme:**

Spread the cost of a new bike over 12 or 24 months through salary sacrifice (terms and conditions apply).

#### **Home and Tech scheme:**

Spread the cost of a Curry's or Ikea gift card over 12 months through salary sacrifice (terms and conditions apply).

#### bYond:

A pre-paid card that lets you earn cashback when shopping at your favourite stores.

# **Extras discounts:**

Save up to 10% on the upfront cost of a wide range of big-brand gift cards.

# **Tastecard Promotions:**

Discount on an annual subscription which allows you to Save up to 50% off at hundreds of participating restaurants.

# **RAC Membership Cover:**

A 12-month salary sacrifice offering different levels of cover options for up to 4 vehicles (terms and conditions apply).



# INFORMATION ABOUT PRINCE HENRY'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Prince Henry's is an over-subscribed comprehensive school with over 1660 students, including around 350 in the Sixth Form. It was recently named in the Times Parent Power guide as one of the top comprehensive schools in the North of England. Our extremely positive Ofsted report (December 2022) stated that "there is enough improvement to suggest that the school could be outstanding if we were to carry out a graded (section 5) inspection". Regardless of our current success, we strive for the continuous improvement of our educational provision so that our students are fully prepared for 21st century society. We serve the market town of Otley (in the Wharfe Valley) and the surrounding villages including Pool, Bramhope and Adel. The Wharfe Valley is a wonderful region in which to live and work. It is close to areas of outstanding natural beauty, yet also benefits from good transport links to key towns and cities across the country.

Prince Henry's Grammar School has a rich history dating back to its Royal Charter of 1607 and to this day the school remains at the heart of the local community. We work hard to maintain strong links, for example through community use of our sporting facilities and our provision of an extensive Community Education Programme.

High standards, in both the academic and broadest sense of the word, continue as the underlying principles of all that we do. Our behaviour and achievement policy, known as Positive Discipline, is central to this. The system rewards students for what they do well, whilst also providing a framework within which misdemeanors are challenged and sanctioned in a consistent manner. This results in the extremely positive attitudes to learning that exists amongst our students. Prince Henry's is an enjoyable place to work and learn and we aim to appoint colleagues who shares our commitment to high professional standards.

Our focus on equality and diversity has a significant impact on the philosophy and operation of the whole school. An international perspective is evident in all areas of school life and all colleagues are expected to deal with issues of global citizenship and equality through their role in school. Typically, over 500 students take part in one of a dozen or more foreign trips and exchanges each year.

Our commitment to promoting equality and celebrating diversity lies at the heart of our vision, and we have received national acclaim for our work in this respect. The school holds the highest level of the Stephen Lawrence Education Standard and has supported several other schools to develop their own inclusive practices through the RED award developed internally.

Extra-curricular and enrichment provision is rich and varied. There are strong sporting traditions (including rugby, netball, hockey, athletics and swimming) and considerable interest in outdoor pursuits through a successful Duke of Edinburgh Award programme. Music, drama and a variety of other activities also flourish. Governors and trustees are keen to appoint staff who will support the vibrancy of our school.

For further information about Prince Henry's, including details of the current curriculum offer, please see the school website <a href="www.princehenrys.co.uk">www.princehenrys.co.uk</a> and the school's prospectus documents <a href="here">here</a>.



# INFORMATION FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Prospective Applicant,

We would like to thank you for your interest in applying for this post at Prince Henry's Grammar School.

Of particular interest to new members of staff is the emphasis placed on high quality professional development. Prince Henry's is a strategic partner in the Red Kite Teaching School Alliance and as such we work with our partners to develop and deliver high quality CPL to staff in our own school and across the region. This ensures good access to development opportunities for our teaching and associate staff.

A number of services and benefits have been developed including such things as free coffee/tea at break time, parking, annual flu vaccinations, access to Cycle to Work and Computer schemes, corporate gym membership, staff takeaway meal service through Henry's Diner, long service awards and social events organised by the Staff Committee. There is also an opportunity for the children of staff to access the excellent education available at Prince Henry's in line with the Admissions Policy.

Over recent years the already strong educational provision at Prince Henry's has improved even further, and consequently the reputation of the school. As a result, Prince Henry's has grown in size, including significant growth in the sixth form. Despite the school's achievements, governors and school leaders are not complacent, and seek to employ staff with the ambition, knowledge and skills to contribute to further improvement in this larger than average comprehensive school.

This is an exciting time to join a forward-thinking and ambitious school. I have been in post as Headteacher since April 2022 and have since made three appointments to the Senior Leadership Team. As such, we are looking to keeping the aspects which work constant and maintain excellence, whilst pushing ourselves even further to ambitious levels. That said, staffing is stable at Prince Henry's; it is hard to leave such a wonderful school and we all benefit from a huge range of experience and stability.

We hope that after reading the information about this vacancy you will want to apply. Please clearly describe your relevant skills and abilities, knowledge and experience (see Person Specification) in the appropriate sections of the application form and explain why these make you an ideal candidate for your chosen post. We look forward to receiving your application.

Yours faithfully

Sally Bishop Headteacher



# **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Name:	
Subject:	Teacher of Geography
Salary Grade:	MPS/UPS
Contract Type:	Fixed Term until August 2025
Responsible to:	Faculty Leader

# **Purpose of Role:**

To facilitate and encourage learning which enables students to achieve high standards; to share and support the corporate responsibility for the well-being, education and discipline of all students.

#### **Main Duties:**

# **Teaching and Managing Student Learning**

- 1. To teach the lessons assigned
- 2. To provide effective teaching for whole classes, groups and individuals so that teaching objectives are met, pace and challenge are maintained, and best use is made of teaching time
- 3. To use teaching methods which keep students engaged, including stimulating students' intellectual curiosity, effective questioning and response, clear presentation and good use of resources
- 4. To set high expectations for students' behaviour, establishing and maintaining a good standard of discipline through well-focused teaching, positive and productive relationships as published in the school's 'Positive Discipline' framework of rewards and sanctions
- 5. To maintain good order and discipline among the students and take care of their health and safety both when they are authorised to be on school premises and when they are engaged in authorised school activities elsewhere
- 6. To prepare risk assessments as necessary following the school's Health & Safety policy
- 7. To undertake the role of Personal Tutor where required (see separate Job Description)
- 8. To take part, as required in the review, development and management of activities relating to the curriculum

# **Planning and Setting Expectations/Student Achievement**

- 1. To identify clear teaching objectives, content, lesson structures and sequences appropriate to the subject matter and the students being taught as identified by the school's Teaching & Learning & Assessment Policy
- 2. To set appropriate and demanding expectations for students' learning and motivation and set clear targets for students' learning, building on prior attainment
- 3. To identify students who have special educational needs and know where to get help in order to give positive and targeted support and implement and keep records on Pupil Centred Passports (PCPs)



#### **Assessment and Evaluation**

- 1. To assess how well learning objectives have been achieved and use this assessment for future teaching
- 2. To set homework in line with the school's Home Learning policy
- 3. To mark and monitor students' class and home learning providing constructive oral and written feedback, setting targets for students' progress
- 4. To understand the demands expected of students in relation to the National Curriculum, KS4 and post-16 courses as appropriate
- 5. To provide or contribute to oral and written assessments, records of achievement and references relating to both individuals and groups of students
- 6. To participate in preparing and presenting students for public examinations

# **Relationship with Parents/Carers and the Wider Community**

- 1. To prepare and present informative reports to parents/carers and attend Parents' Evenings/meetings
- 2. To provide opportunities to develop students' understanding by relating their learning to real and work-related examples, recognizing that learning takes place outside the school context
- 3. To liaise with agencies responsible for students' welfare

# **Manage Own Performance and Development**

- 1. To take responsibility for own professional development and to keep up to date with research and developments in pedagogy and in the subjects taught
- 2. To participate in arrangements made in accordance with the Performance Appraisal Cycle
- 3. To participate in arrangements for further training and professional development as a teacher
- 4. To follow school policy by attending and participating in meetings
- 5. Where appropriate to the individual, and in negotiation with the Line Manager, to undertake role(s) that would be beneficial to career development
- 6. To share corporate responsibility for the implementation of school policies and practices
- 7. To set a good example to all students in their presentation and their personal conduct
- 8. To evaluate teaching critically by reviewing teaching methods and programmes of study and use this to improve professional effectiveness

# **Managing and Developing Staff and Other Adults**

- 1. To establish and maintain effective working relationships with all colleagues
- 2. To advise and co-operate with all colleagues on the preparation and development of courses of study, teaching materials, teaching programmes, methods of teaching, assessment and pastoral arrangements



# **Managing Resources**

 To select and make good use of textbooks, ICT and other learning resources which enable teaching objectives to be met

# **GENERAL DUTIES**

As defined by the School Teachers' Pay and Conditions Act 1991 and subsequent orders as listed in the most recent School Teachers' Pay and Conditions document.

# **HEALTH & SAFETY**

All staff will make themselves familiar with the requirements of the Health and Safety Policy which are relevant to their work.

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

The school and the Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our students and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

All job descriptions may change and/or be amended, following negotiation. Job descriptions are not a comprehensive list of all tasks that the headteacher will carry out. The postholder may be required to fulfil other duties commensurate with the role.

In line with KCSiE 2023, we will carry out an online search as part of our due diligence on shortlisted candidates. This may help identify any matters that are publicly available online, which we might want to explore with you at interview.

Signed	 	 ········
Date	 	 



# **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Name:	
Subject:	Personal Tutor
Salary Grade:	MPS/UPS
Responsible to:	Progress Leader

# **Purpose of Role:**

The purpose of the role of Personal Tutor is to seek to know all the students in your form as well as possible and to become accepted as a person to whom they can turn for guidance. You should closely monitor the progress, attitude and behaviour of the students in order to encourage their overall development and liaise with colleagues to ensure the individual progress and development of your tutees.

#### **Main Duties:**

- 1. To carry out a rolling programme of academic monitoring of the students in the form with guidance from Progress Leader and Assistant Headteachers
- 2. To attend year group meetings
- 3. To be involved with the production of IEP's working with Progress Leader and SENCO
- 4. To provide the Assistant Headteacher with relevant information for the preparation of references and internal reports
- 5. To deliver the tutorial programme under the guidance of the PSHE/Citizenship Co-ordinator
- 6. To implement the school's Positive Discipline system within the Tutor Group and to maintain high standards of behaviour and achievement
- 7. To build good relationships with the Progress Leader and other members of the year team
- 8. To build good relationships with students within the tutor group and their parents to gain their confidence and ensure progress and development, academically and socially
- 9. To encourage students to develop the highest expectations of themselves
- 10.To meet parents, as required, to discuss the academic progress, welfare and behaviour of students
- 11.To work with the Progress Leader to provide counselling for students as appropriate
- 12. To assess and monitor students' progress
- 13.To register students according to instructions, at the beginning of each session or as otherwise required (e.g. fire drill), to keep information about students up to date; to check on absences, punctuality and absence notes, reporting problems and maintaining a close working relationship with the Progress Leader
- 14.To take an active role with, and ensure that students maintain, accurate records of rewards and sanctions, in accordance with the school's published Positive Discipline framework
- 15. To issue letters to parents via students
- 16.To check Student Planners weekly
- 17.To supervise students to, during and from assemblies and to prepare form assemblies when required



- 18.To check uniform to ensure high standards are maintained and to report any problems regarding incorrect uniform
- 19. To ensure students receive information regarding school issues/activities
- 20.To appoint two-year council representatives and oversee the collection of agenda items for school council
- 21.To work with Year Manager regarding obtaining subject material for absent students

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Collaborative Learning Trust is committed to promoting and safeguarding the welfare of all children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post is subject to an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks.

Signed	 	 	 	
Date	 	 	 	



PERSON SPECIFICATION		
TITLE OF POST	TEACHER OF GEOGRAPHY	
AREA	HUMANITIES	
SPECIFICATION PREPARED	WSC/HRS	
BY		
DATE	September 2024	

Qua	lifications	Essential/ Desirable (E/D)	How identified
1.	Degree or other appropriate qualification in subject area	E	Application and Selection
2.	Secondary QTS, or working towards	E	process
3.	Evidence or recent relevant training	D	
Experience		Essential/ Desirable (E/D)	How identified
1.	Successful teaching of Geography at KS3 & KS4 or successful and productive teaching practice as an ITT	Е	Application and Selection process
Kno	wledge	Essential/ Desirable (E/D)	How identified
1.	National Curriculum at KS3 in Geography	E	Application
2.	Requirements of GCSE and A Level specifications	E	and Selection process
3.	Appropriate teaching and learning method	Е	process
		Essential/	How
Skill	ls & Abilities	Desirable (E/D)	identified
1.	Ability to teach KS3 & KS4 Geography	E	Application
2.	Ability to teach KS5 Geography	D	and Selection
3.	Ability to develop and sustain good working relationships with colleagues	Е	process
4.	Good organisational and communication skills	E	
5.	Excellence as a practitioner in Geography	Е	
6.	Excellent classroom management skills	Е	
7.	Ability to enthuse and motivate students	E	
8.	Good ICT skills and the ability to use ICT packages to support the teaching of Geography	E	
9.	Ability to use iPads to enhance teaching and learning	D	
Pers	Personal Attributes		How identified
1.	Willingness to contribute to maintaining the profile of the faculty and attainment of students	E	Application and Selection process



2.	Flexible attitude towards working hours e.g. start and finish times, to fit in with the needs of the school	E	
3.	Commitment to upholding the school's aims, procedures and policies	Е	
4.	Commitment to continued professional development	Е	
5.	Professional demeanour and appearance with the ability to maintain confidentiality	Е	
6.	Enthusiasm for the subject area	Е	
7.	Willingness to contribute to extra-curricular	D	
	activities		
Equ	al Opportunities	Essential/ Desirable	How identified
		(E/D)	
1.	Acceptance of, and a commitment to, the principles of the school's equal opportunities policies and practices as they relate to employment issues and to the delivery of services to the students and community	E	Application and Selection process
2.	Commitment to equal opportunities policies relating to all protected characteristic in an educational context	Е	
		Essential/	How
Safe	eguarding	Desirable (E/D)	identified
1.	Ability to form and maintain appropriate relationships and personal boundaries with children and young people	E	Selection process and completion of
2.	Has appropriate motivation to work with children and young people and can relate to them	E	an Enhanced DBS check
3.	Displays commitment to the protection and safeguarding of children and young people	E	
4.	Good knowledge and understanding of the importance of safeguarding students and the welfare of staff, and the action to take if necessary	Е	
	1	Essential/	How
Pers	sonal Circumstances	Desirable (E/D)	identified
1.	Legally entitled to work in the UK	E	ID
2.	No contra-indicators in personal background or criminal record in showing unsuitability to work with children/young people/vulnerable clients/ finance	Е	Completion of Criminal Background declaration and
			Enhanced DBS check



# GUIDANCE FOR COMPLETION OF THE ON-LINE APPLICATION FORM

Please complete the application form in full, giving as much information as possible and answering **all** questions before submitting the application.

#### **REFERENCES**

Please supply details of two referees, one of which must be your current or most recent employer. If you are currently working in a school setting then one of the referees must be the current Headteacher. Friends and family cannot be used as referees.

If you are not currently working with children, but have done so in the past, then an additional reference from that employer will be required.

Safer Recruitment procedures require that we contact at least one referee before interview.

# **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Please list previous appointments in sequence, current or most recent first. Please include your salary grade in the Position Title e.g Reception Teacher M4 + TLR2A. Please also include at the end of the Responsibilities section the reason why you left the post e.g. promotion, relocation etc. Please also list other work experience and the details and nature of the work/activity. If you were not in work at any time please give details of what you were doing e.g. Gap Year Jan 2011-Jan 2012, Unemployed July 2010–December 2010 etc.

# **EDUCATION HISTORY**

Please ensure that you advise all your qualifications, in date order current or most recent first, including those obtained at school. Please advise the grade achieved with regard to degree qualification i.e. BA in History 2:i. Please list all A levels together in one box and in another box list all GCSEs together, along with the grades obtained.

#### OTHER COURSES OR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Please include any professional development that may be relevant including dates and grades obtained.

# **INFORMATION TO ADDRESS THE PERSON SPECIFICATION**

Please use the sections provided to detail your Skills and Abilities, Knowledge and Experience as described in the Person Specification and relevant to the Job Description. You can use the Additional Information section to detail anything else that you feel is relevant to the role and why you feel you would be an ideal candidate for this post.



# STATEMENT ON THE RECRUITMENT OF EX-OFFENDERS

- As an organisation which is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act and using the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) to assess applicants' suitability for positions of trust, we comply fully with the DBS Code of Practice and undertake to treat all applicants for positions fairly. We do not discriminate unfairly against any subject of a Disclosure on the basis of conviction or other information revealed.
- We are committed to the fair treatment of our staff, potential staff or users of our services, regardless of race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, responsibilities for dependants, age, physical/mental disability or offending background
- We actively promote equality of opportunity for all with the right mix of talent, skills, and potential and welcome applications from a wide range of candidates, including those with criminal records. We select all candidates for interview based on their skills, qualifications, and experience.
- All applicants who are offered employment in a school will be subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. This will include details of cautions, reprimands and warnings as well as spent and unspent convictions. An enhanced disclosure may also contain non-conviction information from local police records which a chief police officer thinks may be relevant. A statement advising that a Disclosure will be requested in the event of the individual being offered the position will be shown in all job adverts and recruitment packs.
- We can only ask an individual to provide details of convictions and cautions
  that we are legally entitled to know about. Applicants must therefore
  disclose all spent and unspent convictions, cautions, reprimands and final
  warnings that are not 'protected' (i.e. filtered out) as defined by the
  Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 (Exceptions) order 1975 (as amended in
  2013).
- We ensure that staff involved in recruitment have received appropriate guidance on the relevant legislation relating to the employment of exoffenders (e.g. the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and its amendments in 2013) and know how to access advice and support.
- You will have the opportunity for an open and measured discussion on the subject of any offences or other matter that might be relevant to the position. Failure to reveal information that is directly relevant to the position sought could lead to withdrawal of an offer of employment or disciplinary action which could result in dismissal.
- We make every subject of a DBS check aware of the existence of the DBS Code of Practice and make a copy available on request.
- We undertake to ensure that any matter revealed in a Disclosure is discussed with the person seeking the position before withdrawing a conditional offer of employment.

Having a criminal record will not necessarily bar you from working with us. This will depend on the nature of the position and the circumstances and background of your offences.





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