

Deputy Head Co-curricular

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 3-18. 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 almost 300 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 ROLE

The concept of Magis (the 'more') is a fundamental attitude of a Jesuit education. What more can I do? What can I do better? How can I add depth?

Stonyhurst already has a rich co-curricular offer and the successful candidate will be the driving force behind creating a sector leading provision to form our young people to be 'as much as I can' (Quant Je Puis).

An exciting new post of Deputy Head Co-curricular has been created to drive the quality, breadth and reach of the co-curricular offer to Stonyhurst pupils and the wider community.

The possibilities and opportunities for this role are only limited by imagination. Music and Drama plays a key role in Jesuit education and our year groups are called 'Playrooms' to reflect this tradition. Stonyhurst has extraordinary facilities including: a world-class museum (containing a Shakespeare First Folio); a fully functioning Observatory (from 1866) and weather station; dance studio; shooting range; tennis dome; golf course and even fishing rights to a stretch of the River Hodder. The Campus Master Plan identifies developments for a second all-weather pitch, a Sports Hall and a Performing Arts Centre.







KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

The Deputy Head Co-curricular is expected to:

- Actively promote the Jesuit Mission and Identity of Stonyhurst College;
- Lead and give strategic direction to the College's co-curricular programme;
- Ensure an exciting and diverse co-curricular programme including contributions from Academic Departments;
- Promote pupil-led Clubs and Societies;
- Work closely with the Director of Music, Director of Sport, and Heads of Drama, Dance, Duke of Edinburgh, Combined Cadet Force, Chaplaincy, etc.;
- Act as Duke of Edinburgh Verifier;
- Develop more specialisms to regional and national level;
- Be responsible for the Interline programme, maximising pupil involvement and sense of community;
- Work closely with the Director of Human Resources to ensure, when necessary, that appropriate visiting staff fulfil the appropriate safeguarding and recruitment checks;
- Promote the co-curricular programme to all stakeholders;
- Co-ordinate and supervise all school trips and visits (including risk assessments);
- Administrate CHQ co-curricular software and ensure that the system is utilised fully by staff and pupils;
- Using CHQ, maintain a system for monitoring and evaluating pupil involvement and achievement in the co-curricular life of the College;
- Review and assess the benefits and effectiveness of all co-curricular activities within the context of the Stonyhurst Mission Statement;
- Chair the Co-curricular Committee;
- Work closely with the Deputy Head Academic and Deputy Head Pastoral to ensure a balance between the academic and the co-curricular;
- Contribute fully to the running of the College as a member of the College Leadership Team (ie boarding, evenings, Sunday Mass, social events, etc.).



PERSON SPECIFICATION

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	 Honours degree Teaching qualification Evidence of relevant recent training 	 Leadership qualification (NPQH, NPQSL, etc.)
Knowledge and experience	 Able to demonstrate success of leading and managing teams Experience of successfully managing significant change A wide range of co-curricular and partnership experience Experience of financial planning and budgeting 	 Leadership experience Experience of working in a boarding environment
Skills and aptitudes	 Has educational vision and passionate about education Ability to inspire and lead members of the College community Ability to inspire and motivate staff and pupils to attain the highest possible levels of achievement Is highly organised but flexible, and comfortable working with intellectually challenging teams and stakeholders Ability to work collaboratively Experience of creating relationships effectively with all stakeholders 	
Personal attributes	 Builds relationships with ease Team player Good listener Dynamic Enthusiastic, resilient with good judgement Able to demonstrate high level of initiative and to manage risk Compassionate and caring Ability to work under pressure whilst maintaining a good sense of humour 	• A strong and confident public speaker

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 likely to demonstrate the attached criteria.

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.



TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

Salary

The salary will be commensurate with the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate. There is a requirement to live on site and suitable accommodation will be provided.

The successful candidate will be eligible for fee remission in accordance with our remission policy.

Weekly Commitment

This is a full-time position within a busy boarding school and lessons are timetabled over six days, Monday to Saturday. As a senior leader, there is an expectation that the successful candidate will participate actively in the daily life of a full boarding school (ie boarding, evenings, Sunday Mass, social events, etc.)





Jesuit Schools

Jesuit Schools in the United Kingdom are supported by the work of the Jesuit Institute led by Fr Adrian Porter SJ. http://jesuitinstitute.org/ http://jesuitinstitute.org/Resources/Rio%20Papers.pdf

Further Questions

If you have any questions or would like to have an informal conversation about this role please contact The Headmaster, John Browne at headmaster@stonyhurst.ac.uk or telephone 01254 826345.

