

## Clifton Community School Humanities Faculty

The Humanities Curriculum Area is responsible for the delivery of the following subjects:

- Geography
- History
- Religious Studies
- Child Development
- PHSE
- Psychology

The curriculum area currently consists of seven specialist members of staff who are committed to providing lively, relevant and demanding educational opportunities for all students regardless of ability; all colleagues value teamwork, mutual support and the centralising of resources. We have high expectations of our pupils and ourselves.

As subject specialists, we believe that the Humanities subjects can provide opportunities to encourage and motivate all pupils. We encourage pupils to question and develop a spiritual awareness and we aim to instil an understanding of the physical world in which we live and to foster a sense of stewardship towards our environment.

The curriculum area is housed in a suite of rooms which consists of five specialist classrooms all equipped with interactive whiteboards and a faculty office.

At KS3 and KS4, the area delivers History, Geography, Religious Studies, Psychology & Child Development as discrete subjects, taught predominately by subject specialists, though where timetable constraints do not allow, a willingness to teach across the subjects would be an advantage.

All pupils are currently taught in setted groups, following innovative and stimulating units of work adapted from QCA guidelines. The units incorporate and develop key skills including literacy, numeracy, ICT, group work, decision making, research and many more. Pupils are assessed continually and informed of their current and target grades. Constructive feedback is provided on a regular basis so that pupils know how to improve.

Geography, History, Religious Studies and PHSE receive one lesson per week in each year of KS3 and two lessons a week at KS4 whilst Psychology and Child Development are taught only at KS4. (Some Lower ability students are withdrawn for literacy & numeracy.)

At Key Stage 4 we offer the following courses:

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Examination Board</b>	<b>Specification</b>
<b>Geography</b>	<b>AQA</b>	<b>Specification 8035</b>
<b>History</b>	<b>Edexcel</b>	<b>Specification 601/8092/4 New Course from 2016</b>
<b>Religious Studies</b>	<b>AQA</b>	<b>Specification A 8062A</b>
<b>Child Development</b>	<b>CACHE</b>	<b>60066441</b>
<b>Psychology</b>	<b>AQA</b>	<b>Specification code 4180</b>

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