



## Hazel Grove High School

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Head Teacher  
Ms J M Nolan BSc

## Teacher of Geography



## APPLICATION PACK

**BELIEVE**

**ACHIEVE**

**SUCCEED**



Hazel Grove High School is a popular 11-16 co-educational comprehensive school with 1055 students on roll. It is situated on a large campus on the outskirts of Stockport. The school is situated on the Cheshire border, overlooking farmland and within easy reach of the Peak District National Park and Manchester City Centre.

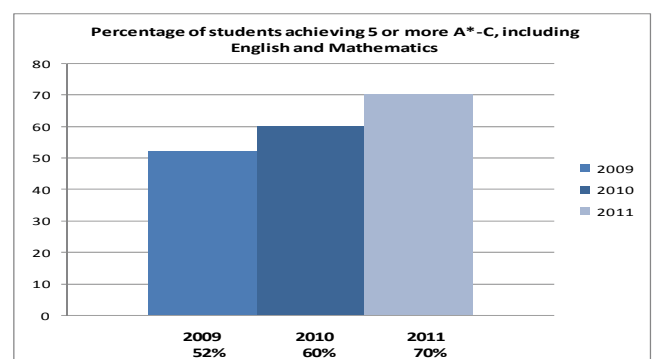
The school is set in attractive surroundings and enjoys excellent facilities including a well resourced library, learning resource centre, performing arts block, drama studio, sports hall and recreation centre, dedicated ICT areas and fully equipped science and technology areas. Subjects are suited and dedicated staff work / preparation areas are available across the school.

The school's aims are to ensure that:-

- To provide a happy, secure and totally inclusive environment
- To develop each individual student's potential to the full
- To foster a mutually effective partnership between school, parents and our wider community

Hazel Grove High School has a well qualified and dedicated staff. The organisation is committed to Investors in People standards. Team work is the hallmark of the school's management style and team leaders are supported by the Senior Leadership Team. There is a strong positive focus on developing the quality of teaching and learning in the classroom.

The school is proud of the achievement of our students in the 2011 GCSE examinations. 70% of students achieved 5 A\* - C including English and Mathematics. Overall 92% achieved 5 A\* - C. This success continues a three upward trend in results.



Students are enthusiastic and work hard; They respond well when given opportunities to answer questions, to work in groups and think for themselves

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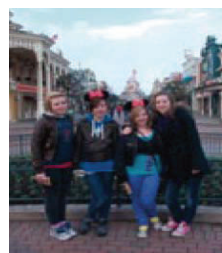


The school is committed to continuous improvement and will convert to Academy status from March 2012. It is an organisation that values its staff and their work with students. We support the view that all members of our school community are learners: adults as well as students. Staff are supported with training opportunities designed to improve the quality of teaching and learning in the classroom. This includes a bursary programme through which all staff can apply to undertake a 12-month research project of their choosing for which they receive direct funding. Moreover, a comprehensive programme of support for newly qualified staff is well established and is viewed as a key strength by those who have been newly appointed.

Students are encouraged to take responsibility for their work and behaviour. Students are also encouraged to develop their own values and opinions and to respect those of others. We have a flourishing programme of extra-curricular provisions including visits and residential opportunities. The Student Council is a strength of the school.

Hazel Grove is a school in which all children are challenged, developed and supported. There are many opportunities for them to develop their talents, skills and interests. Sport, music, drama, community service and the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme are all flourishing activities that children can enjoy.

Parents work in partnership with the school. Parents are expected to support the school in its efforts to encourage students to behave responsibly, dress sensibly and work effectively. There is a strong Parent/Teacher Association of parents and teachers. This Association has given strong financial support to the school over many years.



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Headteacher Ms J M Nolan

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## Teacher of Geography Fixed Term Contract to 31/08/2013

Required to start with effect from 01/09/2012.

This is an ideal opportunity for a newly qualified teacher seeking their first post or an ambitious teacher seeking to develop their career in a successful and supportive environment. The successful candidate will be expected to teach KS4 Geography and KS3 Humanities.

We are seeking an enthusiastic, motivated and ambitious teacher to join our established and experienced team. You will teach across the age and ability range. Teamwork is vital to the continued success of the Department and we are looking to appoint someone who will support and enhance this ethos.

Hazel Grove High School is a successful 11-16 co educational specialist school with 1100 students on roll. We recently celebrated over 92% 5 A\* - C GCSE results. We are a happy and ambitious school, excited about the future of education and determined to become 'outstanding'.

Hazel Grove is situated on the outskirts of Stockport within easy reach of the Peak District and Manchester City Centre.

The closing date for applications is **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2012**.

The successful applicant's appointment will be subject to satisfactory reference and satisfactory clearance by the Criminal Records Bureau.

Application forms and further details for the above are available from Mrs Gilly Keogan, Head Teachers PA, Hazel Grove High School, Jacksons Lane, Hazel Grove, Stockport, SK7 5JX. Please telephone on 0161 456 4888 or email keogang@hazelgrovehigh.stockport.sch.uk

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*Believe*

*Achieve*

*Succeed*



# HAZEL GROVE HIGH SCHOOL

## APPOINTMENT OF TEACHER OF GEOGRAPHY PERSON SPECIFICATION

*It is anticipated that the person appointed to the advertised post will meet all of the essential and most of the desirable criteria*

ESSENTIAL	EVIDENCE
A graduate with appropriate teaching qualification in Geography A sound understanding of what constitutes effective teaching and learning within the classroom Commitment, energy, enthusiasm and an ability to motivate children A good understanding of classroom management techniques Able to make effective use of ICT as an aid to teaching and learning Willingness to work as part of a team to implement and share new ideas Good time keeping skills and an ability to work to deadlines	Letter of application References/interview Lesson Observation/Reference Lesson Observation Reference/letter Interview/Reference References
DESIRABLE	
Willing to contribute to the school's programme of extra curricular activities Commitment to continuing to develop as a Professional Awareness of current government educational initiatives Ability to maintain a sense of humour	Interview/Letter of application Interview Interview Interview

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**THE HUMANITIES FACULTY**

The Humanities Faculty comprises of a dedicated team of enthusiastic teachers. We have a record of academic success and are committed to high standards. The Humanities Faculty comprises of specialist staff in History, Geography and Religious Studies. The Humanities suite consists of 6 rooms, all recently refurbished, with IWB and sound systems. The faculty also has a central office where staff can work.

In 2011 the faculty achieved 85% A\*-C in GCSE Geography (OCR A) and 84% A\*-C in GCSE History (AQA B). In KS4 option classes are largely mixed ability and are taught 5 lessons a fortnight. In KS3 groups are banded by ability into three bands. Schemes of work are of a high standard and include activities and resources to encourage all learning styles.

*Faculty Rationale*

**To be an innovative and supportive faculty that enhances and enriches education and promotes a love of learning**

*Faculty Aim*

- Work as a team to develop courses in Humanities which offer our students a wide learning experience, including off site visits, the use of a variety of source material and a wide range of teaching and learning strategies. To have at least 70% of lessons rated as 'good'

*Teaching Aims*

The main aims of the Humanities Department are as follows:

1. To help students to understand the world we live in today.
2. To arouse an interest in learning.
3. To give students a sense of identity – to teach students about their own country, institutions, beliefs, values and customs.
4. To develop their knowledge and understanding of other countries and other cultures.
5. To train students to undertake disciplined enquiry, to test evidence, to be capable of analysis, evaluation and logical argument.
6. To enrich the entire curriculum – to enable students to draw on their knowledge to enhance their performance in other areas

*Objectives*

1. Students should show an increasing factual knowledge of Geography, History and RE based in the content specified in the National Curriculum Document. They should be able to deploy a broad range of relevant terminology accurately.
2. Students should be given ample opportunity to present their answers in extended writing. They should be able to construct narratives, descriptions and explanations by the end of KS3.
3. Students should use a range of sources including: Documents and printed sources, artefacts, pictures and photographs, music, buildings and sites, computer based materials.
4. Students should be taught Humanities subjects from a variety of perspectives: Political, economic, technical, scientific, social, cultural, religious, aesthetic, international, national and local.

**Head of Faculty: Mrs D Haines**