



St Edward's School

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Dear Prospective Applicant,

Thank-you for your interest in the role of Subject Leader for History at St. Edward's school. History, as a subject, has grown significantly under the current Subject Leader, who has been promoted to Senior Leadership in her new school. The Subject Leader for History works alongside, and line manages the Subject Leader for Government and Politics, which is part of the History department's provision. You would be leading amazing, committed professionals. The team are connected with the wider history teaching and research community, and I would be keen for the successful applicant to continue and further this scholarly engagement. Such engagement has been really useful to our students, especially at KS5, in supporting students with aspirations to study History and/or Politics in Higher Education. Today, at the time of writing, two of our students have received an offer to read History at Oxford.

Government and Politics is offered at KS5 only, and the ability to deliver this subject in addition to History would be useful to us. The curriculum has been entirely recreated in recent years, moving away from a euro-centric model towards a more global perspective; and has been designed to ensure that both knowledge and skills are revisited and reinforced as students move through KS3 upwards. The team have a deep understanding of effective pedagogy, and need to be sustained in their professional development by the successful candidate. The subject has a dedicated suite of rooms, and is well-resourced.

St. Edward's is a happy, heavily over-subscribed school, committed to outstanding learning and pastoral care in the fullest sense. We believe that by caring for our students and staff we will become even more successful in preparing students to live happy and meaningful lives. Our academic outcomes at KS4 and KS5 are significantly above the National Average, in the top 15% of schools, and we have three National Finalists for Teacher/TA of the year currently working in the school.

I am interested in potential as much as experience, and the successful candidate will have not only a passion and drive for leading their subject, but will combine this with the ability to inspire and motivate students in deepening their own love of History, seeing its power and relevance in their lives.

I hope that the application materials are helpful as you consider St. Edward's for your future career; and if we can help in any way, do please get in touch.

Thank-you again for taking an interest in our school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Antram
Headteacher

