



Humanities at Hall Park Academy

The successful candidate will join a thriving and welcoming Humanities faculty of 11 specialist teachers across History, Geography, Religious Studies, Philosophy, Sociology, Psychology and Health & Social Care.

The faculty currently has a high uptake at GCSE and A Level, with student engagement and aspiration at its centre. Student progress is consistently strong and continues to improve further.

History

In History at Key Stage 3, our students study an engaging and varied range of topics which begin pre 1066 and conclude with a study on 1960's America.

Through the years, students study a range of skills including the use of sources, interpretations and core essay writing skills in analysis and judgement.

At Key stage 4, we follow the units within Edexcel History. Student results are consistently strong at GCSE with a high uptake of classes. Key Stage 5 History is consistently a popular choice for A Level students, with our results consistently strong. Students at A Level thrive on independent, skills based learning.

Within the History Department, we have a clear ethos of both academic and interactive learning which has resulted in memorable trips for our students, including Warwick Castle (Year 7), Black Country Living Museum (Year 8), Thackray Medical Museum (Year 9 and 10) and Lincoln Castle (Year 11). Further to this, we also have Humanities trips, including trips to Poland and Belgium.

Geography

At Key Stage 3 we have a dynamic programme of study that engages pupils of all abilities and interest areas, and prepares them well for their continuing studies at Key Stage 4 and beyond. The geography department has built a wide and varied range of resources and teaching materials to help support pupil progress, as well as to enable enquiry based learning.

Both A Level and GCSE courses incorporate a fieldwork element and this is seen as an integral part of students' learning experience outside of the classroom. A level students currently study both coasts and regenerating places on a four day visit to Scarborough and the Holderness coast, whilst GCSE students investigate inequality across Nottingham and river profiling at Burbage Brook. The department is keen for Key Stage 3 students to experience fieldwork opportunities which include a visit to Castleton in the Peak District as well as a day trip to Bridlington and Flamborough Head.





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Religious Studies

Religious Studies is taught for one hour per week over the full academic year from Y7 to Y10 with all students entered for the AQA Short Course GCSE qualification in Y10. Additionally, there may be scope to develop and promote Religious Studies as an option GCSE in the future as the school grows.

At Key Stage 3, our students study an engaging and varied range of topics which are based on the LAS for Nottinghamshire, and include beliefs and practices of major world religions, applied ethics and cross-curricular projects with the Art and History departments. At Key stage 4, we follow AQA GCSE Short Course Religious Studies, teaching Christianity and Islam, with the themes of War and Relationships. A-level Philosophy is taught at Post-16. Within the faculty we also offer A-levels in Sociology, History, Geography, Psychology and a Level 3 qualification in Health & Social Care.

Sociology and Psychology

Sociology and Psychology are also delivered as part of the Humanities suite of A levels. Both subjects follow the AQA A-level specifications and are popular subjects.

Health & Social Care

Health & Social Care is a popular subject choice with students who can study towards the BTEC Level 2 qualification in Key Stage 4 and the Level 3 qualification in the Sixth Form.

