



Rossett School

Success for everyone

Welcome to the Humanities Faculty

❖ **Please introduce yourself:**

I am Adam Otway and I am the Director of Studies for the Humanities faculty. I studied Contemporary Military and International History at the University of Salford before completing my PGCE through Leeds University.



❖ **How long have you worked at Rossett?**

For four years.

❖ **Describe your faculty in three words:**

Caring, dedicated and inspirational.

❖ **What makes your faculty an exciting place to learn?**

Students will enjoy exciting lessons such as making their own volcanoes in Geography, building trenches in History and fierce debates in Philosophy and Ethics on topics ranging from the death penalty to animal testing. In addition to this, our mission statement includes the pledge that we aim to create well-rounded students that are exposed to the best that has been thought and said in our respected fields. There are multiple opportunities to get 'out and about' from trips abroad to field work and most of our students love the opportunity for a debate in class.

❖ **How do you support your students to achieve their best?**

All of the Humanities subjects have their own dedicated subject website so that students have instant access to the resources that they need. We offer support sessions to our students after school to offer extra assistance and students can contact us any time through Microsoft Teams if they need help.

❖ **What is the first topic Year 7 study when they arrive and why have you chosen this?**

When students first arrive in Geography they will look at tectonics, including a detailed look at geographical features such as earthquakes and volcanoes. In History students will study an overview of Britain from the year 400AD to 1100. In Philosophy and Ethics students will begin by looking inwards at their own beliefs and will consider topics such as how we make decisions, how the universe began and how people express their beliefs.

❖ **What amazing things have your students gone on to do after leaving Rossett?**

Many of our students go on to study our subjects at university and others find employment. In the last three years we have had students go on to study our subjects at many of the top Russell Group universities including Durham, York, Liverpool and Oxford. We have also had two trainee teachers in the last three years who once studied Geography with us before going on to seek a career as Geography teachers themselves. A Level Philosophy and Ethics has produced at least one Human Rights Lawyer.