The Geography Department at Clyst Vale

Thank you for your interest in applying to teach Geography at Clyst Vale. This is an exciting opportunity to join an outstanding Geography department. We are a department of four specialist teachers led by Tania Grigg, who is also Head of Humanities. In 2014 we moved into a new purpose built block. There are three Geography teaching rooms and the successful applicant will have one of these rooms. Each room has an interactive whiteboard. Teaching staff are provided with laptops.

At Clyst Vale Geography is part of a Humanities faculty which also includes History and Beliefs and Values (RE). We work together collaboratively which contributes to the success of the faculty. In Year 7, students are taught combined Humanities and this means that the successful applicant will be expected to teach all three subjects in Year 7 and there may also be a requirement for some teaching of history and RE in Year 8.

Geography is very successful and popular at Clyst Vale. At GCSE we have nine groups across Y10 and 11, and in 2015, 81% of students achieved a C grade or above. 44% students gained an A or A*. There are three A level groups and results are outstanding. At A2 68% of students gained A*-B. The successful applicants will be expected to teach both GCSE and A level and contribute in planning for the new specifications. We will be teaching AQA for both GCSE and A level.

Fieldwork is integral to Geography. At KS3 we hold day trips to Plymouth Aquarium and Cheddar Caves. Residential trips to the Lake District and South Devon take place for A level students. Next year we are taking our first trip to Iceland.

If you have any further questions or would like more information, please contact Tania Grigg, Head of Humanities: griggt@clystvale.org