



St Richard's Catholic College

A High Performing Specialist Science School

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Dear Applicant

Thank you for your enquiry concerning the post of Science Laboratory Technician at St Richard's Catholic College (full or part-time). I hope you will find the enclosed information informative and that you will decide to apply for the post.

The school roll is at present 1035. The school enjoys an excellent reputation in the community and our numbers for admissions are over-subscribed each year. Examination results are always really high with pupils of all abilities making strong progress. GCSE results for 2021-22 for two good GCSE Sciences were 84% at 4-9 grades and 71% 5-9 grades. GCSE Biology, Chemistry and Physics all achieved 100% 4-9 grades and typically 90% achieved 7-9 grades.

Visitors to the school often comment on our 'strong' family atmosphere, supportive ethos and Christ-centred caring environment. Pupils are positive, respectful and fully engaged in their learning. They enjoy coming to school and each is encouraged to develop to the full. Ours is a 'can do' culture with the belief that everyone can achieve. We are a Specialist Science College with High Performing Specialist School status and we have Leading Edge status, Fairtrade Fair Achiever Award status, Artsmark Gold Award and Space Education Quality Mark. In 2018-19, the SSAT awarded the school exceptional Education Awards at Transforming Level for 'Engagement with Stakeholders', 'Climate for Learning' and 'Leadership through Moral Purpose'. In 2019-20 the SSAT awarded the school two further Exceptional Education Awards at Transforming Level in 'Professional Development' and a 'Variety of Teaching Approaches'. In 2020-21, the school was awarded a further Exceptional Education Award at Transforming Level in 'Wellbeing'. We are ambitious to become one of the best schools in England.

The Science department is a supportive, successful and forward-thinking one. All the department are specialist teachers and the support staff in this subject all have at least 'A' level qualifications in science. The successful candidate will be fully inducted and encouraged to participate in a range of professional development activities. We are looking for someone who is extremely efficient, able to use his/her initiative and has the ability to prioritise the range of daily tasks required. This post requires good interpersonal skills, strong communication skills and the ability to work as part of a team.

If you feel you could make a valuable contribution to our Science department then I look forward to receiving your completed application form with a supporting letter by Wednesday, 6th September 2023 but we encourage you to apply as soon as possible as we will interview on receipt of applications rather than await the closing date. The names of two referees should be provided.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Miss D Cronin
Principal

